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AT WAR ONCE MORE.

San Domingo Again in Throes of Bloody Revolution.

Opera Bouffe Negro Republic a Menace to the Peace of the World—Should Be Called to Account by Powers.

It is expected by one of the newspaper paragraphers that the Central and South American visitors to the St. Louis exposition will behold with envy the fly-wheel in the Machinery building, which will execute 2,000 revolutions a minute. The best that Santo Domingo has done of late is three revolutions in a year and a half. In May, 1902, Gen. Juan Isidro Jiminez was turned out of the presidency by Gen. Horacio Vasquez in a successful revolution; last March Gen. Vasquez was overthrown by Gen. Alejandro Woz y Gil; and now Gen. Gil is opposed by Gen. Jiminez. The New York Tribune gives the following information in regard to the insurgent general:

"The report that Gen. Juan Isidor Jiminez has been proclaimed president of the Dominican republic by the insurgents fighting for possession of Santo Domingo, the capital, was something of a surprise to his compatriots in this city. It has been known since Jiminez left here a few months ago, for Porto Rico, that he was anxious to return to the office from which he was deposed by Gen. Horacio Vasquez, about a year and a half ago. In fact he resigned the place of fiscal agent of Santo Domingo to the United States and Europe, to which President Woz y Gil had appointed him, that he might be free to take part in a rebellion and return to the presidency. It was not expected, however, that his hopes would be realized, as Gen. Carlos Morales, governor of Porto Plata, a former priest, who started the movement, has also aspirations for the place. Another reason for believing that Gen. Jiminez would not again become president was the opposition to him of the Vasquez element.

"Gen. Jiminez, before his appearance as an 'insurrecto,' was a merchant in this city. He was proclaimed president of Santo Domingo on the overthrow of President Heureaux in 1898, although as in the present instance, he took no part in the fighting. He was, in turn, deposed by Gen. Vasquez who was then vice president. His one ambition since

JUAN ISIDRO JIMINEZ.
(Santo Domingan General Who Heads the Latest Revolution.)

then, it is said, was to regain the office of chief executive of the little West Indian republic in which he seems to have at last succeeded. Gen. Jiminez is about 60 years old, unusually tall for a Dominican, and has a military carriage."

The New Orleans Picayune advocates the annexation of the island before these perpetual disturbances get the United States into trouble. It says:

"Revolutions are as common in Santo Domingo as the recurrence of the seasons. There have been half a dozen such outbreaks in as many years, and between times the country itself is kept in a state of unrest by bad government, and foreign countries are put to annoyance by infringements upon the rights and property of their subjects and embargoes placed upon trade.

"Santo Domingo is one of the little opera-bouffe republics whose very existence is possible only because of the jealousies and rivalries existing between the great nations of the earth. The governing classes in Santo Domingo are negroes, and their attempts at government are a mere travesty upon republican forms and institutions. The only law is the convenience and caprice of those in power and revenues are collected only to furnish fat livings for successful faction leaders. As soon as one faction grows more powerful than the one controlling the government for the time being, there is a revolution, and one set of rascals is turned out to make room for a worse.

"The latest revolution brings into prominence the question of forcibly annexing Santo Domingo and Hayti as the best means of preventing them from embroiling us sooner or later with one or the other of the European powers. At least we could compel them to maintain a stable and strong government, of whose friendship we could be certain."

A CALL FOR A NATIONAL NEGRO SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

In Obedience to a Resolution Unanimously passed at the Ninth Annual Convention of the Afro-American League of the State of Pennsylvania held at Harrisburg, Aug., 11th and 12th, 1903.

We hereby issue a call for a National Negro Suffrage Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 14th and 15th, 1903.

PURPOSE:

To devise and put into operation such means as will break up Southern Disfranchisement and preserve the full and equal civil and political right of the American Citizen

Liberty is the breath of life. It is the heritage of every American citizen however lowly "Eternal Vigilance," the price of liberty must be exercised by every citizen and every race that would b free. For freedom we have given our lives upon fields of battles have christened our citizenship in a baptism of blood, and have marched through the gates of death to reach this priceless boon. And yet the sacrifices, which have placed freedom and citizenship in the hands of every other man within the confines of this great country are not sufficient to keep Suffrage and Citizenship within the grasp of the American Negro "to the manner born" an American among Americans. We do most emphatically declare:—

1. That the time is here when the Negro of this entire country must make organized effort for the maintainance of the Negro Suffrage in every State of the Union.

2. That the open and daring attack upon the 14th and 15th Amendments by the Carmacks, Hardwicks, Williamses and Vardamans, is but the return of the Slave Power of the South, which having by illegal enactments disfranchised the black men of the South, now boldly and arrogantly seeks to enslave the Negro of the North, East and West.

3. To meet the schemes and politi- intrigues of these nullifiers of the Constitution, these men would destroy Negro citizenship, and bring about peonage both civil and political, we must gather in National assemblage, and use the political power which we now possess in self-defense to the end that the slavery of the South may be abolished, and that slavery in the North may not come.

APPORTIONMENT OF DELEGATES.

We recommend that the number of the delegates from each state be equal to the number of congressmen from said state.

Robert J. Nelson, President
A. A. League of Pa.
F. L. Jefferson, Secretary,
A. A. League of Pa.

For further information apply to
Jas. H. Hayes, Attorney-at-Law,
Washington, D. C.

October 16th, 1903.

All delegates when elected are directed to send credentials to the District of Columbia Local Suffrage League
Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Pres.
Wash. Suff. League.
W. Calvin Chase, Ch'm Ex. Com. Wash. Suff. League.
L. M. King, Sec'y, Wash. Suff. League.

NEGROES HAD BETTER ACT.

From the Louisville Mission Herald.

That the American Negro is not united on any one movement for the betterment of his condition in this country can not be denied. That he had better unite at least politically, and stand up for his rights as a citizen, every sane man will admit. The rapid rate at which we are loosing our political prestige is alarming. If we keep on at the rate we are going we will stand in this country ten years hence political outcasts. Every Negro in this country who owns an acre of land and has a house on it ought to attend the Suffrage Association at Washington, D. C. Dec. 14, 1903.

We have in hand a letter from Mr. James H. Hayes, Attorney-at-Law, in which he says, "Come and let us make a death effort to see if we can use the political power we hold, and which is fast passing from us, to save our people. Southern conditions are not stationary but are moving Northward. O! brother, pray and preach about this."

Every Negro whose palm is not itching and who is not in the rush for a political job cannot afford to miss this convention in person or by letter, pledging his support to any movement that will save our people from political thraldom. Disappointed office seekers nor persons holding political jobs will not be allowed to make the meeting other than to save the Negro.

The Negroes of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and Kentucky can give material aid in this movement. Senator Gorman's stand on the Negro question finds utterance in the books penned by Thomas and Dixon and the hundreds of readers of these infamous, malicious volumes will find fuel with which to feed the fire of hate that slumbers in the bosom of any who would rather see the Negro fall than rise. Where the Negro holds the balance of power or can in any way influence the law makers he owes it to the race now and ever more to unite with the Suffrage Association. Any advice, idea, or suggestion touching the relation of the Negro to the Political Questions of the hour should be sent to Mr. James H. Hayes, Attorney-at-Law, Washington, D. C.

THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION

Highly Endorsed Delegates Elected—Will be a Representative body of Men.

From the Newark, N. J., Advocate.

In accordance to a call meeting issued by the colored citizens of the Oranges, a large and appreciative audience gathered at the St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, South street Orange, Rev. D. J. Brown, pastor, on Tuesday evening, the 1st inst., to listen to a very able address by Attorney Hayes, and to elect delegates to the Negro Disfranchisement convention, to be held at Washington, D. C., the 14th and 15th inst.

This will be a political convention, and will be held to determine with what party the Negro shall cast his vote at the coming national election.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jas. A. Stilwell, the chairman.

Dr. Stilwell in a few but pointed remarks, introdnced Attorney Hayes, who held his audience spellbound for fully one hour on the disfranchisement of the Negro in the South, especially in Virginia, his home.

At the conclusion of the attorney's remarks, Dr. Stilwell defined the necessity of us all sticking together and not permitting ourselves to be bought.

At the conclusion of this the doctor appointed the following nominating committee to select delegates to send to the convention at Washington: Revs. D. J. Brown, C. W. Pullatt, Messrs. D. Cuff, G. W. Richardson, D. Watkins.

After a few minutes the committee returned and reported the following names of delegates: J. A. Stilwell, M. D., Rev. J. K. Churchman and Mr. Trisdale, of East Orange.

JUDGE CHARLES F. SCOTT,
Will be Confirmed—There is a fight against Judge Kimball.

The collection amounted to $16.30 of which $10 was presented to the church and $6 30 to Attorney Hayes for carfare.

(From the Owensboro, Ky., Reporter)

The National Negro Suffrage convention which meets in Washington Dec. 14 and 15, is a step in the right direction It is marvelous to know how much interest the people are taking in the anticipation of this great meeting. Nearly every state in the Union will be represented. Kentucky will have representatives from Louisville, Frankfort and Owensboro.

HE CUT HORN.

A Cutter Who Was Cut $100. Out.

There is no man in this city who does more cutting and fitting than Horn the tailor. He boasts of being the greatest cutter and fitter in the city. His prices have been far below all tailors in the city. The daily papers as well as *The Bee* has made his name a household word. But there came a man from New York by the name of Patterson, to whom Mr. *Horn* was compelled to acknowledge his superior. *He* not only cut cut Mr. Horn, but he shaved him for one hundred dollars and all he has to show for his lost one hundred is a piece of paper which he intends to frame as a souvenir.

Patterson was brought back to the city Wednesday by detective Weeden, one of the finest in the business and a man no swindler can escape.

Mr. *Horn* confronted Patterson on his arrival and asked him how his suit fitted. Mr. *Horn* told him that he had sympathy for a murderer, but he had none for a swindler. Patterson told him that we all had faults and this was the only consolation Mr. Horn received. However, it is claimed that Patterson will make good all losses, but no one has been able to make Mr. *Horn* believe it.

The next man who can be found that will out fit or out shave Mr. *Horn*, a first class fifty dollar suit will be given.

LANGSBURGH AND BRO.

Among the oldest establishments in the city and reliable is Langsburgh and Brother, whose advertisement is in another column. This firm carries all first-class goods. It is a firm that appreciates colored trade and Mr. Hart, the manager, as well as the firm will do every thing to please the readers and patrons of *The Bee* if they call. Don't purchase any holiday goods until you go to this place. Go and inspect every department. If you don't see what you want, ask for it.

The Bee will be pleased if you mention it.

MASS. ELECTS DELEGATES.

Sixteen Representatives Elected—The Local Executive Committee is Endorsed.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 8, 1903.

A largely attended meeting of the Boston Suffrage League, called to elect delegates to the National Negro Suffrage Convention, was held at 3 Tremont Row to-night.

The meeting was a long and animated one. The secretary W. M. Trotter Editor of *The Guardian*, surprised the members by reading letters from Washington, D. C., to the effect that Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, President of the Council, and leading lieutenant of Booker Washington, was at Washington already, planning to secure the permanent chairmanship of the Convention.

A resolution, introduced by Mr. Granville Martin, to endorse the action of the Executive Committee at Washington last Thursday, in refusing a seat to Mr. Fortune in the Convention or to any one else who had antagonized or attacked the movement, was adopted.

Speeches were made by William Hazel, W. H. Scott and others bitterly denouncing Booker Washington for the plot to control Negro politics even to the extent of intriguing to capture an anti-Washington Convention by improper methods. He was called the "Black Croker."

Sixteen delegates were chosen among them being W. M. Trotter, who heads the delegation, A. H. Grimki, the president, Rev. W. H. Scott, C. G. Morgan, Granville Martin, E. T. Morris, J. S. Gaines, Ex-Councilman Chas. H. Hall, E. P. Benjamin, Leigh W. Carter, J. Milton Arbuckle, J. A. Crawford J. W. Hill, Milton Walker, T. C. Scroton, Curtis J. Wright.

NEGRO WINS IN FRANCHISE CASE.

Supreme Court of Alabama Turns Down Action of County Registrars.

From the Newport News, Va.

In the Alabama supreme court Wednesday Nov. 22, Justice Harralson decided an important case, that of the State of Alabama vs. Peter Crenshaw a negro of Limestone county. Crenshaw applied to the registrar of that county, under the constitution, to register him that he might vote. This the registrars refused. Crenshaw then produced documents showing that he had been a federal soldier. The registrars again refused to register him, and he appealed to the courts. A jury in the circuit court decided in the negro's favor. The state solicitor appealed the case to the supreme court and that court now dismisses the case.

A FALSE CHARGE.

There is no truth in the report that Mr. William Ferguson insulted a white lady in the Pension office. When the full particulars are made known it will be seen that there was nothing wrong in the transaction. The public should hold sentence for a while.

THE SUFFRAGE LEAGUE.

A Large Meeting Tuesday Night.

There was a large meeting of the Washington Suffrage League held in Shiloh Baptist Church on last Tuesday Evening. Rev. J. Anderson Taylor called the meeting to order and delivered a most eloquent address. He concluded by introducing W. Calvin Chase, as presiding officer for the evening. He introduced as the first speaker Rev. O. M. Waller, who made a most eloquent address. Dr. Waller is a fine speaker and throughout his remarks he was largely applauded. He was followed by Rev. Rivers, who also made a good speech.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones was the last speaker and he created great applause and much merriment.

THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

A Large Meeting Expected.

The Suffrage Convention will convene next Monday morning in the Metropolitan church R street between 12th and 13th streets Northwest. The morning session will convene at 12 o' clock sharp, which time will be public until 3 o'clock at which time it will go into executive session. Some of the best speakers in the United States will be present.

HON. FRANK HUME, ILL

The sickness of Hon. Frank Hume has caused a great deal of anxiety among his many friends and acquaintances. Mr. Hume is a humanitarian and a man who is highly appreciated among the people of all classes. There is no man who is better liked than Mr. Hume. It is reported that he is improving a short be out

THE COLORED SERVANTS.

It is no disgrace neither is it humiliating for colored girls to work out at service. They can be ladies in the kitchen as well as charms in the parlor. It is not the woman who can be seen in swell attire that is always the lady. A woman who respects herself can always demand respect from others.

The colored servants are fast being displaced for those of the other race. You must not come to the conclusion that they are inferior to those who hold higher positions than others.

All work is honorable and the servant must not think because she is compelled to wait on others that he or she is inferior.

A GOOD WORD.

(*From the W. Va. Sentinel.*)

The Editor, Hon. W. Calvin Chase, of THE BEE, of Washington, D. C., who has a thorough knowledge of the newspaper world, one who understands how to say what is needed to be said at the proper time, one who stands for race progress, liberty and rights has exchanged with us. We hope this great man and his paper may live long to do great work for the advancement of the race in the future as he has in the past.

MEANT NO HARM.

(*From the Brunswick, Ga., Herald.*)

The last issue of THE BEE (Washington) had considerable to say, by way of an attack on Mr. Pledger, upon the question of Negroes voting democratic tickets.

Of course we believe that one's conscience should be his guide in all matters, but we don't like the idea of letting the "eyes" of one's conscience be closed to the fact that it is a stern truth that the policy of the democratic party is to check the development of the black man, while the republican party has ever been willing to give him a chance.

Anacostia News

Mr. Heinwood is doing a rushing business.

Mr. and Mrs. Queen, of Philadelphia, Pa., are visiting her parents. They expect to leave here shortly.

Christmas is a day of cheeriness and happiness throughout Germany. The presents are usually simple.

"A Merry Christmas" is best realized when the heart is light, and nothing lightens it like an approving conscience and the joy of giving happiness.

Christmas Eve is celebrated in Spanish homes by a family party, and a supper chiefly of wines and sweetmeats. Instead of hanging up their stockings the children in the country hide their shoes and slippers in the bushes, and they find them filled with fruit and candies in the morning.

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HEIR TO A DUKEDOM.

Cavendish Will One Day Have a Million a Year.

New Financial Secretary to British Treasury Is the Nephew of the Duke of Devonshire and His Probable Successor.

Probably most people in London who read the other day of the appointment of Victor Cavendish, M. P., to the post of financial secretary to the British treasury, were impressed a good deal less by the appointment itself than by the thought that this young man's next advancement, no doubt, would place him in possession of one of the proudest titles, one of the greatest fortunes, and one of the most magnificent estates in the United Kingdom.

The new financial secretary is, of course, the nephew and heir of the duke of Devonshire, the stanch old free trader who provided one of the political sensations of the last month by resigning from Mr. Balfour's cabinet, just as he did from that of Mr. Gladstone, and who, besides being also Baron Cavendish, marquis of Hartington, earl of Devonshire and earl of Burlington, has an income of nearly $1,000,000 a year, and an estate of 187,000 acres, containing seven of the finest private residences in England. The duke is now over 70 and not in robust health, so it is not too soon to begin to discuss the qualities of the man who will succeed him.

Americans who have seen some of the many photographs and especially the cartoons which have been published of the famous duke, will be struck by the uncommon resemblance that is borne to him by the coming head of the house of Cavendish.

The beard is the only thing that is missing. There is the same heaviness—no other word describes it—about the face, the same protruding lower lip of the Cavendishes, and the same undeniable dullness of eye that, perhaps, has been mainly responsible for getting the duke his reputation as the "sleepiest statesman in England."

And so it was that a clever funmaker raised a laugh the other day by suggesting as a happy nickname for the duke that of "Little Wideawake." Mr. Chamberlain called his grace "the Rip Van Winkle of politics."

The impression prevails that the duke is listless because he is dull, but this was dispelled when, at a recent dinner of the American society in London,

HON. VICTOR CAVENDISH.
(New Financial Secretary of the Treasury of Great Britain.)

he was heard to propose the health of the president of the United States.

The veteran nobleman, in evening dress, with the broad ribbon of the garter across his breast, made a commanding figure, and though the heaviness of his expression never relaxed, and though his utterance was ponderousness itself, what he said was so happy and so generous, and had in it so much thought that almost every one who listened to it must have realized that the folk who take the duke for a dullard make a grave mistake.

Probably the duke of Devonshire really is "tired"—not tired physically, but tired of being bothered by things that have no interest for him. This might not be so were there anything left for him to covet—but there isn't. High rank, fortune, magnificent estates, were his by birth. He has held portfolios in many distinguished cabinets during the 35 years that he has sat in parliament, and twice was the premiership offered to him, only to be refused. The duke thought the responsibilities of the office outweighed the glory connected therewith.

Wild Ride on a Moose.

J. D. Campbell, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Duluth, Minn., had an exciting ride on the back of a huge bull moose 40 miles north of there. Campbell and three others were hunting in the big swamp when suddenly they came upon the moose. Campbell mounted its back with a single leap and away went the terrified animal through the thicket and brush. Campbell, who had anticipated no serious danger from his performance, clung desperately to his position on the animal, which after a wild run of a mile or more plunged into a slough, where the moose sunk to its belly and its rider dismounted in safety, finally killing the moose with one shot.

They Say

Don't be false to any one.

Be honest and act well toward your friends.

Remember that "honesty is the best policy."

There are some peope who are very jealous.

Some people are false to every-o

The Democratic Party is on the sat-look for voters.

Georgia republicans should be careful how they throw.

Two new Judges of the Police court will be appointed.

The white people in this country will be convinced that they can not select a leader for the negro

The democratic party is organizing.

Senator Gorman may secure the democratic nomination.

In union there is strength for that reason the white people want an apologist to lead the negro race.

The Afro-American council thing of the past,

There are to be no office holders members of the suffrage association.

Rev. S. L. Corrothers will make a strong president of the new suffrage association.

The sage (?) of Tuskegee will be weighed in the balances and found wanting.

The most successful man in the United States is the one who can succeed.

The colored attney will organize some time in the near future

We do not know it all and it is well to take the advice of our friends.

Think of those who are your friends and who will treat you well.

The Business league that met at Nashville Tenn., was a good farce.

The Colored American that was going to swallow the world of newspapers made its appearance last week.

It was a hard struggle for life and when it did appear there were many old faces put in to save composition.

A newspaper with a circulation of ten thousand ought to be able to withstand chronic dyspepsia.

Look out for the National suffrage association,

Do not imagine that you are the entire country because you have a little money.

W. J. Bryan is a man who thinks he knows it all.

The Evening Star thinks Booker Washington is a great man.

The Star would have a similar opinion of other negro apologists.

Our contemporary should attend to its own business and allow the negro to select his own leader.

The Bee is of the opinion that the negro race is being betrayed.

Senator Hanna is not at all disturbed It is too early to talk about the national chairmanship of any party.

Let us first select a president then let us talk about a chairman

The Bee is the Colored American of this city and the proper Record of events.

It is no Afro-American but a simon pure negro advocate.

It does not believe in the Plan ets, this is a dark Age that needs a Torchlight that will Appeal to the reasons of the people.

This advice the Guardian needs keep it straight.

The only way to succeed is to succeed.

Let us have qualified suffrage.

There is a division in the ranks of the republican party.

Negroes are easily deceived.

There is a great deal for the negroes to learn.

Why can't colored men unite?

The most successful editor is the one who is able to command the respect of the people.

Have you read The Bee, if not, do so at once.

There are lots of frauds in this country.

Lookout for the man who claims to be soliciting cash subscribers for The Bee.

The merchants are warned to look out for a man who claims to represent The Bee.

BARON VON STENGEL.

New German Chancellor of the Exchequer Who Will Have to Solve Some Hard Problems.

Baron Hermann von Stengel, Emperor William's new chancellor of the exchequer, is confronted by one of the knottiest financial problems with which modern Germany has ever had to wrestle—how to meet increasing national expenditure with a correspondingly decreasing revenue. The solution of the question will involve a practical revolution in the system of government finance—new arrangements with the various independent states of the empire with reference to the pro rata contributions to the imperial treasury, new schemes of internal and external taxation, a possible reorganization of the national currency, and a score of other vexing propositions. To add to the new minister's woes, the great cash-eating departments of the kaiser's government—the army and navy—are clamoring appealingly for more money; the army wants more cavalry and artillery divisions and a complete rearmament, costing $25,000,000; the navy is feverishly anxious to cram into the next five years the completion of Emperor William's great 38 battleship programme, designed to extend over 13 years.

BARON VON STENGEL.
(Recently Appointed Chancellor of the German Exchequer.)

Baron von Thielmann, whom Emperor William relieved of the finance minister's portfolio in August, was found unequal to the task of satisfying all these hungry departmental wolves, and Baron von Stengel, with a fine record of successful accomplishment as a state financier in Bavaria, has been summoned to Berlin to accomplish the Herculean task of making imperial ends meet. His friends assert that he will do so. In appointing him, the kaiser was compelled, owing to the exigencies requiring an experienced hand to depart from his newly established rule of calling only young men into the cabinet, for the new secretary of the treasury is 73 years old. He has, however, been an usually active public figure, and during the bitter discussions preceding the passage of the new German tariff law, he was especially prominent in his capacity as Bavaria's representative in the federal council—the "upper house" of the German empire's parliamentary system. Stengel comes from old Rhineland-Westphalian stock, his ancestor having been made a member of the Prussian nobility by Frederick the Great. He has been a national character since 1884, when Bavaria and the grand duchy of Saxe-Meiningen jointly sent him to Berlin as their representative in the federal council.

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Make so much noise that their absence would be considered a favor.

Operate on the theory that no one else has rights which they are compelled to respect.

Go to their daily business place as though they were the victims of a conspiracy.

Show a sad lack of tact in dealing with those who are above them in position.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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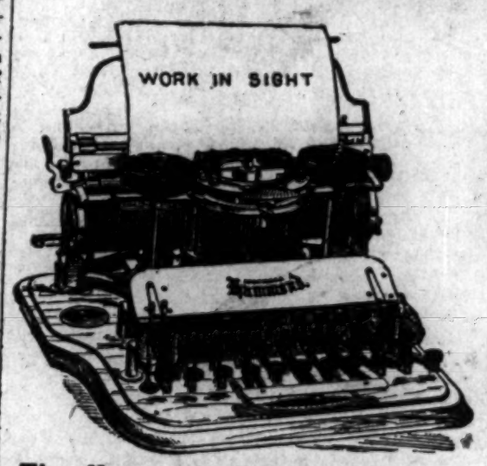

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Mrs. Bacon—Ready and willing are synonymous terms, are they not?

Mr. Bacon—Not always. For instance, you are always willing to go to the theater, but you're not always ready.—Tit-Bits.

Professional Opinion.

Softleigh—I say, doctah, do you—aw—believe that liquor really affects a man's brain?

Physician—Yes, if he has any. Otherwise it affects his legs.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Lights.

"Well, I suppose Rockefeller lives according to his lights."

"I don't know. Sometimes I think other people lights have more to do with it."—Detroit Free Press.

Bruin Is Fond of Partridges

Hunters Tell of the Luck of Bears in Search of Tid-Bits—How Joe Beaudouin Lost His Bird Dinner—Bear Used for Stalking in Place of Cocker Spaniel.

JOE BEAUDOUIN, of Lachine, Canada, was sitting beside the water, not very far from his fire, preparing dinner. The breasts of four plump partridges lay in a frying pan upon the log behind him. The guide was skinning the onions which were to furnish the flavoring to the stew he had in anticipation.

Possibly the pungency of the onions distracted his attention and accounted for his failure to notice the approach of a marauding enemy. But the fact was that when he had washed the onions in the lake, and turned about to take up his meat, there upon the log was his pan still, but, alas! his pan only. Where the tempting little partridge breasts had gone was a problem.

The solution was probably to be found in the direction whence proceeded a sound of breaking boughs. And thither hastened Joe, his woodland instincts leading him to take his ax along with him.

A few steps brought into his range of vision a rascally young bear, a fine enough animal in its way, which was, with manifest delight, crunching the bones of his choice young birds as it lounged along. The bear quickly paid the penalty of its impudence. When the other hunters returned they found Joe complacently frying a very savory dish of bear's liver and smoked bacon with his onions.

The guide was reminiscent over the after-dinner pipe that night. Three years before he had been still-hunting for partridges, an accident with a bear trap having deprived him of the services of his trained spaniel.

As he was creeping along in a promising place he heard the unmistakable flight of partridges into a tree. Dashing up to the spot he dropped two fine specimens from the branches with his double-barreled gun.

Then to his surprise there sauntered away from the foot of the tree a big black bear, which had been acting a setter's part for him and the birds. Following the obliging beast his attention was attracted by the chattering of an old cock partridge, which, perched in an old stub, was scolding away, as though quite put out by the tactics of the same bear.

Again Joe fired and killed his bird, and again he noticed that the report accelerated the flight of the bear, which he did not care to pursue further, since he suddenly recollected that his cartridges all contained No. 8 shot only, and as he naively said:

"I seed him was going right straight for where my bear trap was set anyway, and t'ree partridges was plenty for one meal for me 'lone."

It is doubtful if there is another case on record of a bear being used for stalking purposes in the place of a cocker spaniel.

A day or two later, says the New York Sun, the party had further proof of the partiality of Bruin for partridges. To save trouble one fortunate shooting day, a goodly bunch of birds which had been shot were left upon a stump, to be picked up on the way home.

Warned by the quick-eared and sharp-sighted guide, on their return the men approached cautiously near enough to where they had placed the game to enable them to see an old she bear crouching beside the stump chewing away at some of the birds, while near by her youngster stood upright, tossing in the air and playing with another partridge in a very kittenish

BRUIN PAID THE PENALTY.

manner. The frolicsome antics of the cub probably saved the lives of the two bears, for the amused hunters contented themselves with scaring the intruders away.

It will readily be believed, however, that the ever alert partridges are not often secured while alive by such comparatively clumsy hunters as the black bears. One of the party, a man of wide experience, declared that on one occasion a bear sprang suddenly from among rocks into the midst of a covey of young birds, and secured one of them right before his eyes. Another had seen a crafty bear steal up, keeping a tree trunk between him and some partridges resting on a rotten log until near enough to bring down his heavy paw upon the bird nearest to him.

FIGHT WITH BIG FISH.

Two Men, with Gun and Ax, Kill Monster Porpoise After Struggle Lasting an Hour.

John Backman, a fisherman, and Frank Clark, a member of the Sea Isle City life-saving crew, at Sea Isle City, N. J., had a fight with a monster fish about a mile out at sea which they will not soon forget. A huge porpoise became entangled in a gill net belonging to Backman, and the two men, securing a gun and an ax, boarded their naphtha launch and decided to capture the fish.

When within a short distance of the net the porpoise made frantic efforts to escape. Its tail was fastened in the lead line of the net, leaving nearly all of its huge black body free. Clark fired several heavy charges of shot into the fish's head, which caused it to turn

MADE A HIGH LEAP.

upon the boatmen. Time and again it leaped high out of the water and several times barely missed landing in the small boat. Had it suceeded the craft would doubtles have been swamped.

Clark finally managed to shoot into the eyes of the fish, blinding it. The ax was then brought into play and after repeated blows the big fellow was killed. The struggle lasted over an hour.

When the porpoise was landed on the beach it was found to measure eight feet in length and to weigh 600 pounds. The skin, which is very valuable, was removed from the fish and will be sent to a tannery in Philadelphia to be made into leather. The oil will also be utilized. It is the largest fish ever captured in these waters.

BOUGHT TWO UMBRELLAS.

St. Louis Jurist Takes the Prize for Being the Champion Absent-Minded Man.

During a recent storm, says the St. Louis Republic, a notoriously absent-minded lawyer downtown darted into a men's urnishing goods store and bought an umbrella, for which he paid.

The salesman had presence of mind enough not to offer to wrap the purchase up, and the lawyer carried the umbrella as far as the door. There he stopped to note something in a memorandum book, leaning his new umbrella against the wall. His note finished, he started out, forgetting what he had just bought.

Within a minute he rushed into the other door of the same store, demanding an umbrella.

"I thought I had one with me when I left home," he said, apologetically; "but I guess I must have forgotten to take it."

A second salesman sold him another umbrella, which he carried with him. As he was about to leave the store the first man stopped him.

The second man had "got busy" with another customer.

"You left your umbrella, sir," he said, holding up the original purchase.

"Bless my soul, so I did!" cried the unfortunate lawyer. "And I suppose

"YOU LEFT YOUR UMBRELLA."

I've gone off with some one else's." So he pushed the second purchase into the hand of the surprised clerk, seized the first he had bought and dashed into the storm again with his purchase under his arm.

"Yet that man is a great lawyer," remarked the clerk, who knew him by sight.

MAGNO WAS SURPRISED.

Courted Neapolitan Girl by Proxy and Now Is Shocked at Brilliancy of Her Coiffure.

When he went to the Dominion line dock, at Boston, to claim the maiden who had come out from sunny Italy on the Cambroman to be his bride, the other day, Magno Castrucci had never seen her, nor had the girl ever set eyes on the man she expected to love, honor and obey. When they met the man experienced a shock from which it took him some minutes to recover. The girl was red-headed. It was not a dark, unobtrusive kind of red, which might be charitably styled auburn, but a bright fire color, which took the man's breath away as he looked at her, and made him repent for a moment his rashness in letting anybody else select a wife for him. In southern Italy a red-headed girl is as scarce as a negro in Siberia, and is looked on with little more favor. However, the prospective husband rallied nobly and decided to take her. He departed in search of a marriage license, and the girl awaited patiently in the detention room the reappearance of the bridegroom.

Vittoria Lostracco resided in a little village in a southern province in Italy and had attained the age of 24 without

EXPERIENCED A SHOCK.

passing under the yoke of matrimony, an age which in Italy is dangerously near that of an old maid.

In this country Magno Castrucci had labored for 11 years, alone and friendless, and at last felt the need of a companion to share his joys and sorrows. He looked around him, but the Italian girls of his acquaintance were all provided with husbands or lovers, or were unwilling to mate with him. In this country there are not near enough Italian maidens to go around, and a girl can afford to be fastidious.

He wrote his troubles home to his parents in the old country, and they at once thought of Vittoria. They sang the praises of their son to her, and of the girl to the son, and in a short time the matter was arranged. Details were, of course, meager. None of the parties concerned were fluent with the pen, and it never occurred to them to exchange photographs. But as they both declare themselves satisfied with their bargain the story may be said to have a happy ending.

CONQUERED BY WASPS.

Mud-Daubers Force a Confirmed Old Bachelor to Seek Safety in Matrimony.

A curious tale is told of a young man from Grant's Pass, Ore., who was cured of the bachelor habit by "mud-dauber" wasps. The hero tells the story on himself of how he was working in a mine near his native town, and at the end of a hard day's work always tumbled into his bunk in an old cabin without taking the trouble to arrange his blankets. The cabin was infested with "mud-daubers," and one day several of these located themselves in the miner's bed. The young man retired without ceremony that evening, but he arose again very rapidly. According to

AROSE AGAIN VERY RAPIDLY.

his own statement, which may, perhaps, best be taken with a grain of caution, he flew clear to the roof and knocked off half a dozen or more shakes, came down, kicked over the table, and otherwise gave evidence of a worried man for several minutes. The wasps ended his bachelor career, for the miner went next day to Grant's Pass and secured a housekeeper in the person of a pretty bride.

Beauty Beats Intellect.

A club of young lady students in the Chicago university recently engaged in a very interesting debate. They decided, by a large majority, that beauty is better for a woman than intellect. This means that her proper sphere is the home.

MET AN EMERGENCY.

Young Couple Unite Parents to Keep from Solitude.

Double Wedding Results Which Brought Happiness to Four Hearts — Bride Had Wed Another When Suitor Arrived.

When Orville Cowden and Miss Mary Baker, of Zanesville, O., decided that they cared enough for each other to marry, they found an obstacle standing in the way.

Miss Baker sorrowfully told Cowden of this when he began to urge her to name a day.

"I can't," she exclaimed. "I can't leave father."

"You don't expect us to sit around and wait for the old folks to die, do you?" asked the young man.

"I don't know," said the maiden, hesitatingly, "but I can't leave father all alone."

Father would have been a lonely man if the daughter had married. Mrs. Baker had died and the daughter was the only member of his family. When Miss Mary thought of him sitting in a lonely room, spending lonesome evenings by himself, and eating at a dismal table set for one, she decided that she could not plunge him into this condition for all the lovers in the world.

So the affair ran along for a half year, and then Cowden began to do some thinking. His mother was a widow, and the young man saw that if he left her she would be alone in the world.

The logical course to pursue came so suddenly to the understanding of the two young people that it quite took their breath away.

"It's the thing to do," said Cowden.

"Do you think we can?" asked Miss Mary.

"Well, we can try," replied the young man. And try they did.

John V. Baker, the father, was introduced to Mrs. Lucy Cowden, the mother. The young people sat down to watch what followed. Gradually it came about that about the time the

BAKER CONSULTED HIS DAUGHTER.

young Cowden was preparing to go to the Baker homestead the elder Baker was preparing to go to the Cowden home. And they passed each other on the way home again.

It all came out just as the young people had intended it should. Mr. Baker finally asked his daughter if she had any objections to a stepmother, and she replied that she didn't if he had none to a son-in-law. Then a double wedding was planned, and it has taken place.

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A brave young woman set forth from her home in Ireland not long ago. Fourteen years before she had been engaged to marry John Lewis, who decided that he would make his fortune in America first. After 14 years trying he succeeded, and Miss Phoebe Jane Benn, the girl who had waited all these years for him, was told to join him.

With a willing heart she packed her trunks and came to New York. Thence she went to Northport, L. I., and the groom met her. The wedding took place immediately.

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Thomas Norman, a bachelor living near South Wayne, Wis., was about to be married. He understood that he had been accepted by Mrs. Susie Saucerman, living in another town. He had written four letters full of plans for the wedding, which was to take place on a certain day.

On the day appointed he arrived at Mrs. Saucerman's residence, attired as befits a bridegroom. He noticed that the place was enlivened, but considered this just and proper, the wedding to take place immediately.

"Where's the bride?" he asked, presenting himself at the door.

"Here's Mrs. Evans," said the person who opened it to him. "Mrs. Evans, here's somebody wants to see you."

When Mrs. Evans reached the door she gasped, and when Mr. Norman got his scattered wits together he gasped. There had been a wedding, but he had not figured in it. Mrs. Saucerman had not received his letters, had concluded that he had changed his mind, had accepted the proposal of E. H. Evans—and—well that was all there was to it.

Mr. Norman was in time to extend his congratulations to the groom and wish joy to the bride.

Oarsman's Wonderful Feat.

Jules Piot, an oarsman, of Lyons, who held the sculling championship of France in 1895, matched himself for a wager to scull from Lyons to Chalon, a distance of 80 miles, up the Saone, in less than 24 hours. He entered his boat at five o'clock on a Saturday afternoon, and reached Chalon at three p. m. on Sunday. He is described as having arrived in the very pink of condition.

HAS JOINED TAMMANY.

Charles A. Towne, Once a Minnesota Republican, Has Had Checkered Partisan Career.

From the innermost councils of republicanism in Minnesota to the bosom of Tammany Hall represents as extreme a transition as could well be accomplished in politics, yet it has been made in seven years by Charles A. Towne, who has received practical assurance that he will be nominated to succeed George B. McClellan in the Twelfth congressional district of New York when Mr. McClellan becomes mayor.

In his progress from advanced republicanism to democracy of the most conservative type, Mr. Towne passed through the camps of the silver republicans, the populists and of the Bryan democracy. Starting as a poor man, he laid the basis of a fortune in the Texas oil fields, and completed it

CHARLES A. TOWNE.
(Former Minnesota Republican, Now a Tammany Leader.)

by the fortunate issue of a suit which gave him and his associates title to iron lands worth $10,000,000 in the famous Vermillion range of Minnesota. From an eloquent and unrestrained critic of Wall street and the money power of the east he has been transformed into the head of a Wall street firm of bond brokers.

Mr. Towne was born and raised on a Michigan farm. He became a "silver-tongued orator" when he was 17 years old, and he has retained the title ever since. He had the distinction of delivering the most expensive speech ever made in the senate of the United States.

When Senator Cushman K. Davis died Mr. Towne was sent to Washington to succeed him. He sat in Senator Davis' seat 56 days and just as his term was about to expire he made a speech of 20,000 words, assailing the policy of the republican administration in the Philippines. He received $1,000 for his services as senator.

When fortune smiled on him, Mr. Towne came to New York city and became the head of the brokerage firm of Charles A. Towne & Co. He expressed the opinion that the free silver issue was dead. His first appearance in Tammany was at the last Fourth of July celebration of the Tammany society, when he delivered the principal speech, denouncing the republican administration. He took no public part in the city campaign, although he was one of Mr. Murphy's advisers.

IS CHICAGO'S CHOICE.

Congressman Williams Said to Be the "Favorite Son" of the Windy City's Democracy.

Ever since Carter Harrison was elected mayor of Chicago for the fourth time his followers have looked upon him in the light of either a presidential possibility, or a president maker. Certain it is that the mayor controls the democracy of Chicago, and what he says "goes," to use a political phrase. His friends say that the presidential bee is not buzzing around the Chicago city hall, but that the mayor's choice for president is Hon. James Robert Williams, representative in congress from the Twenty-fourth Illinois district. Mr. Williams was a "possibility" in 1896, when Bryan was nominated for the first time, was chairman of the Illinois delegation in 1900, and placed Stevenson in nomination for vice president. He has just entered upon his sixth term in congress. He was born in White county, Ill., December 27, 1850, and is a graduate of the state university of Indiana and of Union College of Law, at Chicago. Mr. Williams is quite popular in Chicago, and in his home district is said to be "the whole thing."

JAMES ROBERT WILLIAMS.
(Illinois Congressman Who Is Being Groomed for Presidency.)

Catfish Is Easily Tamed.

The experts say that the catfish is easily tamed, and can be trained like pigs. When it is recalled that there are several troops of educated pigs going about the country this is no small compliment.

FAMOUS WOMAN WRITER.

"Lucas Malet," Who Is Mrs. St. Leger Harrison, Now Working on a New Story.

"Lucas Malet," Mrs. St. Leger Harrison—Charles Kingsley's daughter and author of "Sir Richard Calmady"—has set to work on her new novel in a beautiful furnished house in Egerton Crescent, in the Chelsea district of London. Mrs. Harrison says with frank pride that her present charming surroundings have been made possible only by the success of her books, and hints that the best of that success—financially—has been gained in America. Mrs. Harrison divides the time nowadays between this new home of hers and "Eversley," Charles Kingsley's house, now tenanted by Miss Kingsley, Mrs. Harrison's sister. It was this house the present king of England

MRS. ST. LEGER HARRISON.
(English Novelist, Better Known as "Lucas Malet.")

used frequently to visit in the days when Charles Kingsley was his tutor. "Eversley" has long been a favorite resort of American tourists, who look with reverence on the home of the author of "Westward Ho!"

Mrs. Harrison is a lover of cats and birds. She has no fondness for dogs about the house, but has some odd specimens of the other animals. She is a scrupulously neat person, and the tidiness of her house is a direct challenge to the popular belief that writers must needs be disorderly. Mrs. Harrison is methodical in everything, works from 10:30 to 1:30 every day, rests, rides, walks, dines, and with fine regularity. Her social duties are an important part of her existence, as she is a much sought-after diner-out, and is looked upon as one of the most brilliant conversationalists among English women. Her handsome face and figure are also strong attractions. Mrs. Harrison occasionally runs down to Clovelly, the Devon town both she and her father have immortalized in fiction. This place, also, was decided upon by Mrs. Harrison when her husband, a Devonshire clergyman, asked her where their honeymoon should be spent.

A NEW CHALLENGER.

Hon. Rupert Guinness Will Try to Lift the Cup If Sir Thomas Lipton Gives Up.

Ireland seems to be indefatigable in its efforts to lift the America cup, and the Royal Ulster Yacht club still hopes that the trophy may adorn the special room which they constructed to receive it. Fearing that Sir Thomas Lipton, in face of recent pronouncements, would not again enter the contest, the club has been looking around for a likely challenger, and now Hon. Rupert Guinness, son and heir of Lord Iveagh, the millionaire brewer of Dublin, has practically consented to come to the aid of the club, of which he is one of the most liberal supporters, on certain conditions. He insists that the challenging yacht be built in Ireland, and that it be manned, as far as possible, by Irishmen. If the Royal Ulster people can guarantee this, he is ready with the necessary money. He wants the challenge to be purely an Irish one. It is, therefore, possible that Harland & Wolff, the big transatlantic shipbuilders, of Belfast, will launch the next challenger. Hon. Rupert Guinness, who was married only a few days ago

HON. RUPERT GUINNESS.
(Young Irish Sportsman Who May Try to Lift the America Cup.)

to a daughter of Lord Onslow, is an ardent sportsman, a great athlete, and noted oarsman, and, besides being his wealthy father's heir, is a rich man himself. It is estimated that his income from the brewery business alone is a quarter of a million dollars a year. He has other interests in Dublin and Belfast, and owns some of the most valuable property in both cities.

The Royal Ulster Yacht club has the greatest confidence in his sportsmanlike spirit, and they feel that he would relax some of the conditions he imposes upon them, if they could not be easily overcome.

SPEAKER'S SECRETARY.

L. White Busbey, Well-Known Chicago Newspaper Man, Selected by Mr. Cannon.

Mr. L. White Busbey, of Chicago, has been appointed private secretary to Speaker Cannon. Mr. Busbey is the Washington correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean, and his new office will not necessitate the discontinuance of his relations with his newspaper.

Mr. Busbey is one of the best-known political writers in the middle west. He has been with the Chicago Inter Ocean for 20 years, all of that time, except the period occupied by his Washington service, being devoted to political correspondence. He was familiar with the politics of every state in the Mississippi valley, and enjoyed the personal acquaintance of the leaders of all political parties in the territory his newspaper covered, as well as the friendship of the national leaders.

He held the confidence and esteem of the late President McKinley, and when Mr. McKinley was making his gubernatorial and national campaigns Mr. Busbey accompanied him in his private car. In 1891 and 1892 Mr. Busbey went on the western trip with Mr. McKinley, and accompanied him on his campaign tour from Maine to New Orleans.

L. WHITE BUSBEY.
(Chicago Newspaper Man Appointed Speaker's Private Secretary.)

In 1896 Mr. Busbey was sent to Washington to take charge of the Inter Ocean bureau, until the death of Mr. Wight, and has remained continuously on that work. He is a writer upon economic subjects, a tariff expert and thoroughly posted on American politics. Last fall he edited the campaign hand book issued by the republican congressional committee, and supplied the press bureau of the committee with editorial comment upon national topics throughout the campaign.

Mr. Busbey's acquaintance with public men and measures doubtless served to commend him to Speaker Cannon for the new office. In this position Mr. Busbey's duties will not be clerical, but those of a confidential secretary.

HAS A UNIQUE RECORD.

Hon. Edwin Warfield, New Governor of Maryland, Has Followed Many Occupations.

Edwin Warfield, of Baltimore, who was elected governor of Maryland on November 3, has worked at a greater variety of professions and occupations than any of his predecessors. Here is how he has been occupied at different times during his busy career:

Farmer's boy.
Clerk in country store.
Rural school teacher.
Register of wills of Howard county.
Lawyer.
Country editor.
Business manager of old Baltimore Day.
State senator.
Surveyor of the port of Baltimore.
Chief owner of the Daily Law Record of Baltimore.
Organizer and general manager of the Fidelity & Deposit company of Maryland.
President of the Sons of the American Revolution.
President of the American Historical society.

He was a bread winner when a farmer's boy. While teaching school he read

HON. EDWIN WARFIELD.
(Recently Elected Governor of the State of Maryland.)

law. He completed his studies when acting as register of wills.

When he was a country editor he slept in an alcove in his office and exchanged advertisements for shoes, clothing and ink. He remained a bachelor until he was 38.

If a circle be drawn with a radius of 20 miles and with Oakdale, Mr. Warfield's home, as its center, it will include the birthplaces of more governors of Maryland than any similar area of the state. The circle would extend into Frederick county, which has given the state Thomas Johnson, the first governor under the constitution; Thomas Sim Lee (1779 and 1792), Francis Thomas (1841) and Enoch Louis Lowe (1850). In the circle, and south of Oakdale were born George Howard (1832), Thomas Watkins Ligon, John Lee Carroll and Frank Brown.

In the same region other distinguished men were born, including Charles Carroll, of Carrollton; Francis Scott Key, Chief Justice Taney, Senator Gorman and former Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia.

A LIFE WELL SPENT.

Why Edmund Clarence Stedman Is Young at Seventy.

He Placed the Welfare of His Fellow Men Above His Own Comfort—A Fine Specimen of True American Manhood.

Erect and lithe, his eyes sparkling and his wit as ready as ever, Edmund Clarence Stedman accepted the birthday congratulations of his friends recently. The threescore and tenth milestone of his life had been left behind. Time has been merciful to the famous scholar-poet. Mr. Stedman celebrated the event by a day of downright hard work. It is this work, he said to a New York Herald representative, that keeps him young.

In his early youth Mr. Stedman gave promise of becoming one of America's foremost scholars. Family councils decided, however, that his lot should be cast in the busy world of Wall street. He became broker and banker, but during the years he wrestled with financial problems he never lost his love for the beautiful. His poems attracted more and more attention. He became a light in the literary world. Humanitarian always, he devoted many of his leisure hours to encouraging budding genius. More than a hundred writers to-day owe the success of their first efforts to his direction and encouragement. Mr. Stedman may look back on the greater part of his 70 years and see many pedestals erected to the memory of his philanthropy. His charities have not all been devoted to the poor of the literary world. The humblest laborer upon his estate has his sympathy and help. His business in life has been to relieve such distress as he might find. Mr. Stedman's associations in "the street" (from which he long ago retired) and in the cloisters of art and verse, extending as they have over so many years, brought this active man innumerable letters and telegrams from all parts of the world. The writers said they were glad that he had lived and that his work would survive him down the ages.

Aside from books of poetry from his unceasing pen Mr. Stedman has given us "A Victorian Anthology," in 1895, and "An American Anthology," in 1900, volumes which required the most active research and which demonstrated his untiring devotion to this study. These books of reference to-day are of almost inestimable value. He delivered the in-

EDMUND CLARENCE STEDMAN.
(Noted American Poet Who Has Passed His Seventieth Year.)

itiatory course of lectures of the Turnbull chair of poetry at Johns Hopkins university. These were repeated later at Columbia and at the University of Pennsylvania. His critical works include "Victorian Poets," written in 1875; "Poets of America," 1885; and "The Nature and Elements of Poetry," in 1892.

Mr. Stedman's poems were familiar as early as 1860. As his experience widened his works gained in grace and power. He divided his time later between Wall street and his books, although always remaining faithful to the former. He had a great many friends in the literary world in the days of his youth, and this circle has been steadily growing. His friendship with Horace Greeley was of long standing, and when the poet came to write lovingly of the "Sage of Chappaqua" he wrote truly, but the characteristics were those of E. C. Stedman as well as of the man to whom they were addressed:

He saw the goodness, not the taint,
In many a poor do-nothing creature,
And gave to sinner and to saint,
But kept his faith in human nature;
Perchance he was not worldly wise,
Yet we who noted, standing nearer,
The shrewd, kind twinkle in his eyes,
For every weakness held him dearer.

Mr. Stedman is now engaged upon "The History of Wall Street," a life story of men and deeds which he is so fitted to tell.

To this work he will bring a keen sense of observation, a kindly sympathy and the gracious craft of the teller of anecdotes who makes such entertaining bits a work of simple art. This history of the "street," which, of necessity, must be threaded with gold, will, it is safe to say, possess none of the sad, dispiriting influence of Hood when he sang of the sunny metal. It is the whole hearted optimism of Mr. Stedman that has brought him to a silvery youth, in the cloudless, crystalline winter of his threescore years and ten.

Few Germans in Boston.

The only large cities that have not a large German population are Boston, with less than five per cent. German; and Washington, D. C., with seven per cent.

Average Wealth Per Capita.

The average wealth for the general population of the United States is $1,236; that of the Osage Indians is $11,500 per capita.

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NOBLE SENTIMENTS.

MANY of the readers of the Bee remember the Hon. George L. Douglass, son of Ex-Commissioner Douglass of this city, who made a fine reputation as Speaker of the lower House of the Kansas Legislature eight or ten years since. For the past six years young Mr. Douglass has been practicing law in Chicago, and for the past year has been president of the Illinois State Society of the Sons of the Revolution. He delivered a notable address recently at the expiration of his term of office. The following extracts will show some of its qualities.

"I am merely noticing the lack of all sense of proportion which makes such conditions possible; and it is the sense of proportion which largely differentiates the civilized man from the savages.

"Some years ago John G. Whittier died. If ever a noble soul and true patriot went to his reward it was the good, old Quaker poet; and he had lived a long life of the highest usefulness to his country and his fellowmen. About the same date two plug-uglies engaged in a slugging match, and the reputable newspapers which gave one or two paragraphs to the death of the patriotic poet gave whole pages to the details of that prize fight.

"Not long ago in a neighboring state two workmen Phelps and Stansberry, were cleaning the inside of a large steam rat or boiler. By mistake some one turned on the steam, and the only exit for the men was by a manhole in the top. The scalding steam began pouring in. Both men sprang for the ladder. Phelps reached it first, but immediately stood back undecided; "You go first Jim, you are married," and Jim who was married, went up and escaped with slight burns; while Phelps, who stood aside was longer in getting out and perished horribly. But he lived long enough to say, after he crawled from the hole, "It was Jim's right to go first, he's married."

Leonidas at Thermopolae, Bruce at Bannockbury, Nelson at Trafalgar were heroes, but their heroism pales before the grandure of the act of that man, and he was a Negro. How much did you read about it in the newspapers? Ye the noblest monument that human hands could raise would be none two grand to perpetuate the heroism of that deed. And that man was a Negro!

Yet a little while ago whole committees of American citizens went into spasms and haven't yet recovered because the greatest black man in America ate a ham sandwich in the same room with President Roosevelt.

Fellow citizens there is some thing wrong with our sense of proportion, and it is liable at times to affect even the quality of our citizenship. What we need in this the twentieth Century is a new birth of patriotism—a patriotism which shall have its roots not only in the love of the country, but in the love of our fellow man, in the love of justice, truth, honor, liberty and law—a patriotism of which we still recognize the highest type and noblest example in the life and character of Washington."

HIS OWN ENEMY.

It is quite evident that the Negro is his own enemy. He is not true to himself. It is as prevalent among the intelligent Negro as it is among the ignorant classes. Some Negroe may get just enough education to make himself a fool. He will not allow a white man to be his friend no matter how inclined he is. The condition of the American Negro looks gloomy. But, why should he be dismayed? In this connection reference is made only to the Negro who has manhood and character, principles and stability. Perhaps it is a good thing to press the Negro. He has had it too easy since his emancipation. If he has any manhood now is the time to show it. He takes a back seat or goes into recluse and allows his civil and constitutional rights to be taken from him without a protest. He says to himself "O, why should I worry?" Well he doesn't worry but the moment some one who has a little more sense than he attempts to correct the existing evils he is condemned and his motives are misconstrued. With but a few exceptions, there is but little manhood in the office Negro. If he is told to take a back seat and allow the man office holding element to organize and do something; that moment the office Negro concludes that a great political scheme is on foot. The Bee has great respect for some Negroes in office; but it has no respect for a man who holds an office by virtue of being a great Negro, and that moment attempts to betray his fellow man. The object of the National Suffrage movement is to put men and parties on record either for or against the disfranchised Negro in the United States. The law making powers of this country must show to nations that every person in the United States is a citizen therein and entitled to equal protection. It cannot be shown, if the truckling Negro or the Negro in office attempts to subsidize the manhood rights of those who are trying to aid the more unfortunate. It is not the man who professes to be the great exponent of the rights of the Negro that is his best friend, it is not the man that suddenly changes from an inimical position against the Negro to that of defending him against wrong and oppression that we should regard as our friend. The time has come for the Negro to take some kind of stand in the body politic. Congress should be made to do its duty or disband. Principles change but the Negro never changes. The coming suffrage convention which is to convene here should stand for something. There may be some traitors but the moment they are discovered they will be exposed to the world. No one man is to control this convention, no one man will be able to subsidize it in the interest of any one. The convention will speak in no uncertain or ambiguous language. The address to the country will be understood and for once the principles of the address will be carried out.

"THE MOST UNKINDEST CUT OF ALL."

It is reported that, from and after January first no Negro is to be allowed to ride in a Pullman sleeping car. Negroes who travel must either keep awake or sit in a "Jim Crow" car when he travels. The prejudice is becoming so great in this country that the most refined colored lady or gentleman will not be permitted to rest his or her weary bones going a long distance. If such an order goes into effect the colored citizen must have added to his burdens "the most unkindest cut of all." So said Mark Antony. It is said that "Bobie Liucoln," president of the Pullman company has issued that order. The son of Uncle Abraham Lincoln. O! freedom where is thy victory for slavery hath returned its sting.

PHYSICAL ILLS.

The Medical Press and Circular has learned that, so long as skirt bands are fastened round the waist, corsets of stiff material should be worn.

Crane and Friedlander, who have experimented on its bacterial properties, find that roasted coffee is a decidedly active agent in the destruction of germs, including some of the more serious and important ones.

The Prussian war department finds that in every 1,000 young men arriving at the age of military duty 17 are suffering from heart disease. Strickler, who has been studying the subject, de-

FAMOUS FIGHTING DOG.

His Name Is Si and He Would Rather Lick Another Canine Than Gnaw a Bone.

Miss Anna Dunn, of Plymouth, Ind., owns the grittiest fighting dog in the Hoosier state. She has spent no time in teaching the animal to pitch on to other dogs. In fact, she has been trying for seven years to have her pet give up his quarrelsome tricks, but without avail.

The dog is a Scotch terrier and is known all over town as Si. The dog began fighting when he was a pup and has kept it up ever since. He refused to go with his mistress when she changed her boarding place, because the new place was not so well adapted to canine mixups. She sent the animal out on a farm, hoping to cure Si of his troublesome disposition, but in a single

SI, THE FIGHTING DOG.

week he had thrashed all the farm dogs within two miles of the house, and one morning, bright and early, he was back at his city home, where he was found occupying his customary position on the street corner. The attitude that he takes is shown in the picture. In this pose he has been known to sit on the pavement for hours looking for trouble, which comes along in anything that looks like a dog, no matter how large or ferocious.

Si despises a circus, and when one of these aggregations strikes town he runs along ahead of the elephant, barking and snarling as if he would like to drive the big fellow off the earth.

The dog still refuses to live in the new home of his mistress, puts up at her old boarding house, contenting himself with a daily visit. More than this Miss Dunn is unable to coax from her fighting pet.

HONEY HAD VAMOOSED.

Hotel Waiter Replied to Guest's Question in a Way That Surprised Young Bride.

A young man, whom we may call Johnson, because that was not his real name, was married several days ago, and it occurred to him that he would take his bride to a town which he knew well on their honeymoon.

He was particularly desirous of visiting this town, as he told his bride, because at the hotel where he intended

"YOUR HONEY HAS LEFT."

staying "they served such delicious honey at every meal."

"That will be delightful," said Mrs. Johnson.

The couple arrived at the hotel in due course, and they were just in time for tea. Johnson escorted his bride to a table in the dining-room, and then, after an admiring glance at her, looked quizzically round the board.

There was no honey on the table, and none in the room. Johnson was surprised, and called a waiter.

"See here," said he, "where's my honey?"

The waiter seemed at a loss what to say, but finally leaned forward, and, in a stage whisper, said: "She don't work here no more!"

Governor Shoveled Dirt.

"I shoveled dirt for the first railroad built within the limits of the Louisiana purchase," said Former Gov. A. J. Seay, of Oklahoma. "The line I helped build was from St. Louis to Jefferson City, and the people I lived among were of that sturdy pioneer stock that transformed the wilderness into smiling farms and planted the seeds of civilization in the west. Many a time as a boy I got up at midnight to take a bag of corn to the mill in order to be on hand when the miller roused at dawn of day to begin his daily task. Every fellow wanted his meal ground first, and so there was tremendous rivalry among the country lads to see who would be first on the ground."

FARMER VON SWINKE

Why He Considers the United States a Marvelous Country.

His Garden Is an Eel Trap Which Is Good for Several Bushels of Fish Every Day in the Season.

There are several ways of catching eels as well as of skinning them, after they are caught. The latest method of doing both has been introduced by Fred von Swinke, a German, who came to Orrington, Me., last spring and began to grow peas for market upon some swamp land which he had purchased near Segunkedunk stream.

The farmer vowed that the rich lands near the sluggish water were capable of yielding more green peas to the acre than ten times the area on the hills. The seed came up in due time, and showed an inclination to grow, but before the plants were six inches tall every one was eaten off close to the soil by some creature which visited the farm by night.

Every pea vine was spoiled, but cabbages, turnips and other vegetables were allowed to grow undisturbed. The crop was planted over many times without securing any harvest worth the trouble.

In August, after Von Swinke had lost his seventh crop, and after all kinds of traps had failed to give relief, he kept watch among the pea vines for two nights. He was rewarded by seeing a large number of fat eels climb up the low bank and invade the pea preserve, gorging themselves upon the foliage, and then escaping back to the stream.

A New York correspondent says that instead of feeling downcast over this discovery, Von Swinke seemed to be highly elated. He went about the village rubbing his hands and telling what a wonderful country America was to furnish eels enough to supply a large city in every garden that edged upon a stream of fresh water. Then he bought a thousand feet of narrow boards and placed them end to end around his pea patch until they met and made a frame for the crop. Having done this he dug a hole near his cabin, sunk a half hogshead until its chines were level with the soil and filled it with pure water. Then, by opening his fence and putting a line of boards on each side of the walk leading from his garden he had included the tub of water within the cordon.

He sat up until nearly daybreak the following night, then he went out with

THE WATER WAS ALIVE.

a kerosene can and smeared the top surface of all the boards with the oil. After this he blew out his lantern and went to bed.

The first thing he did when he got up at nearly noon was to pour about ten quarts of salt and a bushel of hardwoood ashes into the tub of water. No soooner had this been done than the water was alive with a squirming mass of eels, which tied themselves in knots, turned somersaults and handsprings, and made the water boil with their convolutions.

Soon they were dead, and then the farmer bailed out the water and began to skin his fish. There were nearly three bushels of them, all of good size and very fat.

Once a week since then Von Swinke has repeated the experiment and has made good catches every time. He says that eels will sooner run through fire than cross a board which has been daubed with oil. Having come to his garden to feed on peas early in the morning they had found every avenue of escape blocked by kerosene and naturally followed the path until they had come to the tub of water, into which they had plunged in fancied security.

The salt and ashes not only killed the eels, but removed the slime from the fish, so the farmer had no trouble in skinning the catch.

Girl Contracts to Be Good.

In consideration of her father's consent that she may go on the stage, Miss Eleanor Lawrence, of South Bethlehem, Pa., has signed a contract to "be good." The contract is unique, for she promises to eschew midnight suppers, frivolous company, and side door "Johnny boys." Further, she adds, she will not play cards and always will carry a prayer-book. Miss Lawrence is the daughter of Dawson Lawrence, a promoter of business enterprises.

Blind Men Swim Straight.

It is a standing puzzle that all blind swimmers are able to hold an almost perfectly straight course for very considerable distances, though no more guidance is given them than some species of call or whistle coming from the winning goal. A blind man, in fact, desiring to go in a straight line possesses the curious power of being able to do so almost exactly.

LAWYER AND AUTHOR

New British Ambassador Considered a Versatile Genius.

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, Now at Spanish Court, Will Arrive in Washington Within a Short Time.

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador in Madrid has been appointed British ambassador to the United States, to succeed the late Sir Michael Herbert.

The selection of Sir Henry was a surprise to most people, chiefly because he has never had any official connection with Washington. It is learned that Sir Henry has frequently expressed a great liking for Americans and a desire to go to the United States. His promotion comes more or less in the ordinary course of diplomatic changes; but one of the strongest recommendations that appealed to Foreign Secretary Lansdowne was Sir Henry's reputation of being an excellent lawyer (having been called to the bar in 1872). A similar qualification had much to do with the late Lord Pauncefote's selection.

The new ambassador will speedily bid farewell to the Spanish court and proceed to the United States. Lady Durand is not very strong, but it is hoped the American climate will benefit her health and enable her to completely fulfill her duties as hostess of the British embassy. The daughter of Sir Henry and Lady Durand is much liked in Madrid society. Their son is an officer in the Lancers.

In addition to his diplomatic success in Persia, India and Afghanistan, Sir Henry is an expert shot and has had many adventures with big game while hunting in India, where he was closely connected with Gen. Lord Roberts, serving as his political secretary during the famous Cabul campaign.

Sir Henry, who was born in 1850, is a son of the late Maj. Gen. Sir Henry Durand. He married in 1875 Ella Reve, daughter of Teignmouth Sandys, of the

SIR H. MORTIMER DURAND.
(Newly Appointed British Ambassador to the United States.)

British civil service. Sir Henry was appointed to the British privy council in 1901. He is the author of a life of his father, Sir Henry Durand, and of "Helen Treveryan."

He entered the Bengal civil service in 1873, was political secretary to Sir F., now Earl, Roberts during the Cabul campaign of 1879, and foreign secretary in India from 1884 to 1894. In 1893 he conducted an important diplomatic mission to the Ameer of Afghanistan and from 1894 to 1900 he was British minister to Teheran.

In the mission to Cabul in 1903 he was completely successful. The Indo-Afghan frontier question, the position of Afghanistan in regard to its Oxus border, as defined in the Clarendon agreement between England and Russia, and other matters which had caused some trouble, were adjusted to the mutual satisfaction of all parties concerned, with the probable exception of Russia. As a reward for his services, Sir Henry was made a knight commander of the Order of the Star in India.

It is worthy of mention here that the British mission to Afghanistan in 1893 was full of perils. The safety of Sir Henry and his party was intrusted entirely to Afghan honor, the sole guard being furnished by the ameer's troops, and Cabul was known to be a hotbed of ferocious fanaticism.

The British commissioner's special endeavor was to convince the ameer that England was single-minded in her desire to uphold the independence of Afghanistan. To do this required much tact, which, fortunately for England, the commissioner had acquired in the Indian foreign office.

In 1900 Sir Henry became ambassador and consul general at Madrid.

The significant and important feature of Sir Henry's selection is the fact that it is the first time the British government has sent an ambassador directly to Washington. Heretofore Washington has been looked upon as a post ranking at the foot of the embassies, hence it has been the custom to promote a minister to the embassy to be ambassador here. So the action of the British government in this case marks a growing sense of appreciation of the importance of Washington as a diplomatic post.

Abandoned Baby In Bag.

"Listen! Well, I'll be hanged, if that isn't a baby's cry coming out of the darkness over yonder in the meadow!" exclaimed Chalkley Cleaver, driving along a Whitemarsh road toward his grist mill at Norristown, Pa. He stopped his horses, groped his way over the fence, and followed the sound to a spot where, in a gunny sack, wriggled a well-dressed, black haired baby girl, whose parents had evidently left her there to die. Cleaver took the lusty little self-defender home, and over the hill to the poorhouse she will go unless some other foster home opens its doors to her.

MISTAKEN FOR ROBBERS.

Two Girls Have Narrow Escape from Being Shot as the Result of a "Surprise" Prank.

Miss Lorene Keller and Miss Grace Clark, two young women, of Mishawaka, Ind., who are well known in local society, had a narrow escape from being shot for burglars at 11:30 o'clock at night at the home of J. F. Gaylor, a wealthy real estate man. They were working out a scheme to surprise Miss Ethler Burnett. The two young women had attended a meeting of the literary, and were on their way home with Earl J. W. Fink and R. Percy Wines.

The four thought that Miss Burnett was at home alone, her sister, Mrs. Gaylor, and husband, having gone to Chicago, and they concluded to surprise the lonesome girl. They opened a window, and the two men helped the young women to the sill.

Miss Burnett, when without a key, had on several occasions entered the same house through a kitchen, and her chums were aware of this.

But the quartette selected the wrong window, and this led the two girls into the sleeping room of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylor, who had returned three hours before they were expected. As the little forms of the two glided through the window,

GAYLOR SEIZED HIS GUN.

Mr. Gaylor seized his revolver, and was about to shoot, when his wife seized his arm.

At the sound of his voice Miss Keller made her escape through the window, while Miss Clark ran through the house like a frightened deer. Upon reaching the front door, with Mr. Gaylor in pursuit, she succeeded in unlocking it and escaping before overtaken by the armed man in scanty attire. The entire neighborhood was aroused by the screams of the two fair intruders, and hasty explanations were made.

MUSCLES IN TENSION.

Are the Ones That Tire Soonest Although Doing No Work at the Time.

The Revue Scientifique has been asking what muscles tire soonest, with the conclusion that it is not the muscles in use, but those under tension, although doing no work. The writer urges us to use the arms and legs less and the back and neck more, for on them comes the greatest strain. He has been asking men of all occupations the same questions:

When you have worked much where do you feel tired?

Before you were trained, did fatigue show itself in the same regions?

All the answers point to the same conclusions. The baker who kneads dough all night complains of fatigue in his legs.

The blacksmith is tired, not in his arms and shoulders, but in his back and loins.

The young soldier after a march, is especially tired in the back of his neck, even if he has carried no knapsack.

The oarsman who is in perfect training, after prolonged exercise gets tired in his calves and insteps.

These facts point to the conclusion that in any continued effort we should try to alter the habit of contraction. That is to say, the body, like the mind, needs change of work.

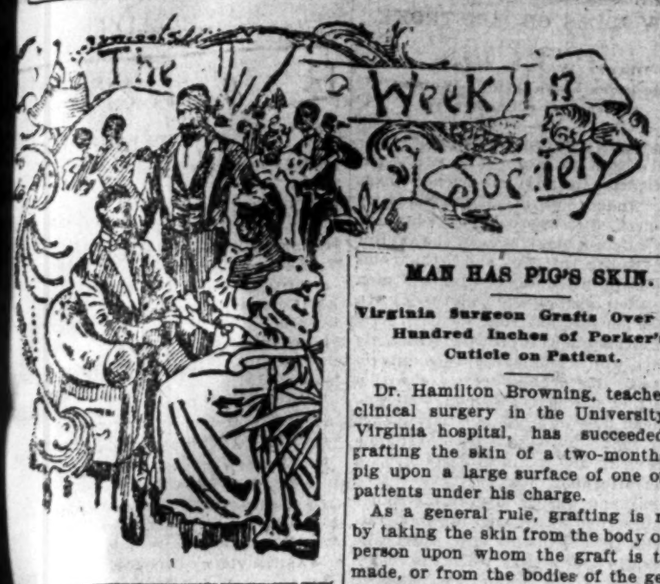
MIRACLE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Oroya Railroad in Peru Cost $311,59[illegible] Per Mile—Obstacles That Had to Be Overcome.

The two Americans who constructed the Oroyo road, Messrs. Meiggs and Thorndike, were considered nearly crazy when they proposed it, says the World's Work.

It was necessary to carry the roadbed for miles through galleries cut in the solid face of the rock, and the workmen engaged in cutting the galleries were in many cases lowered in cages from the cliffs above. More than 60 tunnels had to be cut in the course of construction, one the famous Galera tunnel, one and one-half miles in length, the highest engineering project of its kind on earth.

It is on this road that the signal achievement of constructing a lofty steel bridge connecting two tunnels was accomplished. In building this bridge, which spans a crevice 575 feet wide and hundreds of feet deep, it was necessary to lower all material from the top of the cliffs by wire cables. The whole stupendous task was made possible only by the liberal use of the "V switch" or "switchback." In one instance of the Peruvian railroad it was found necessary to construct a switchback in the side of the mountain, the train heading in on the lower level and backing out through an upper tunnel almost exactly above. The cost of the Oroya railroad, when completed, was $43,000,00[illegible]



Albert Cozy of N. J. arrived Thursday.

Rev. Robert Johnson is quite ill at his home.

The Girls Sec-To-No Musical Club will meet to-day.

Col. W. A. Pledger of Ga. is sick at the Peter's Exchange.

Register J. W. Lyons will leave the city for the south very soon.

Bishop Alexander Walters is in the city the guest of Recorder J. C. Dancy.

Attorney James H. Hayes arrived in the city from Richmond, Va., Wednesday.

Mr. Aldridge Lewis is one of the most active members of the Crispus Attucks Club.

Ex-Recorder H. P. Cheatham of N. C. is in the city and was entertained by his friends Thursday.

Mr. Walter L. Cohen of New Orleans, La., is in the city and is stopping at the Peter's Exchange.

Lieut. Thomas H. Clark will read a paper before the 2nd Baptist Church Lyceum next Sunday week.

Mr. I. L. Walton who arrived in the city last week from the South left Thursday for his home in Arkansas.

Col. W. A. Pledger, of Georgia, and Editor T. Thomas Fortune are in the city stopping at the Porter's Exchange

Mrs. Dr. Julia P. Hughes-Coleman, who has been in Norfolk, Va. on business, will spend her holidays in this city.

Attorneys W. H. Green, John E. Collins and H. A. Clark have secured fine office rooms at 505 E street Northwest.

The Pennsylvania delegation of the National Suffrage League will make its headquarters at the Clyde Hotel, 475 Mo. ave. n. w,

Mr. Ralph Langston is in Maryland visiting his brother Arthur. He will return to New York next month. Mr. Langston is the son of the late John M. Langston, the young man's friend.

Misses Stella Langley, Lizzie Hitchens and Mrs. John A. Adams will be in the city to-day on a visit. Miss Hitchens will be the guest of Miss Effie Middleton, Miss Langley will stop with Miss Emma McGinnis and Mrs. Adams with Mrs. Shorter.

FLETCHER—Miss Maria B. Fletcher, who has been ill for the past six months, died Sunday morning, at the residence of Miss Hellen Madison, 106 F Street N. W., a life long friend. Miss Fletcher was a great sufferer, but bore her troubles and afflictions with Christian fortitude. She was tenderly cared for by the Madison girls and friends during her long illness. The funeral was held at the residence Wednesday evening, Rev. Clark,e of Asbury M. E. Church officiating.

On Thursday evening 3rd inst., the Pen and Pencil Club held its monthly meeting at the residence of Mr. L. M. Hershaw, 1460 T st. n. w. Mr. A. S. Gray, the President of the Club, was in the chair. Lieut. Clarke read a most interesting paper on "The Negro Soldier as a Commanding officer." The paper was full of recondite facts and profound meditations and was greatly enjoyed by the company assembled. After an interchange of views respecting some of the points in the paper, refreesements were served consisting of Boston baked beans, hard tack and coffe. Mrs. Hershaw received many compliments on the excellence of the baked beans.

Curious Eyes of Animals.

Many animals possess more than two eyes, which do not act together. A leech, for example, has ten eyes on the top of its head which do not work in concert, and a kind of marine worm has two eyes on the head and a row down each side of the body. Some lizards have an extra eye on the top of the head which does not act with the other two. A bee or wasp has two large compound eyes which possibly help each other, and are used for near vision, and also three little simple eyes on the top of the head which are employed for seeing [illegible] a long way off.

REAR ADMIRAL GLASS.

Commander of American Forces at Panama Is a Diplomat as Well as a Bold Fighter.

Rear Admiral Henry Glass, now in command of the American forces at Panama, has a distinguished record as a fighting sailor. He served throughout the civil war in a brilliant manner, and during the Spanish war convoyed the first division of troops to Manila, and, incidentally, captured the Ladrone Islands. Admiral Glass, who was appointed a rear admiral on the retirement of Admiral Kimberly, is a native of Virginia, and is a graduate of the class of 1861 of the Naval Academy. He is a diplomat as well as a bold fighter, and is considered one of the most able officers in the navy.

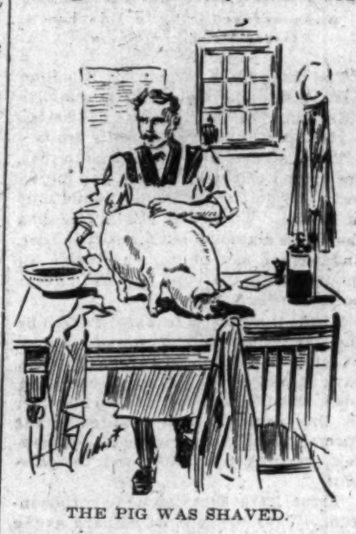
MAN HAS PIG'S SKIN.

Virginia Surgeon Grafts Over Two Hundred Inches of Porker's Cuticle on Patient.

Dr. Hamilton Browning, teacher of clinical surgery in the University of Virginia hospital, has succeeded in grafting the skin of a two-months-old pig upon a large surface of one of the patients under his charge.

As a general rule, grafting is made by taking the skin from the body of the person upon whom the graft is to be made, or from the bodies of the generous persons who are not afraid of a little pain. Dr. Borwning, however, could use neither of these methods, as the surface to be grafted covered 225 square inches of area on the thigh of the young man patient, who had been injured in a railway accident.

Two weeks elapsed before the wound was ready for the operation. The



THE PIG WAS SHAVED.

treatment to which the pig was subjected was thorough, if no more. First the animal was shaved and washed with warm water and green soap. Then it was rewashed in the same way, and a thick coat of green soap was allowed to remain upon it for four hours. Next it was given another thorough scrubbing with green soap and alcohol. After this its body was inclosed with a strong bichloride of mercury poultice, which was left on for ten hours.

On the day the grafting began the pig was chloroformed and thin shavings of skin were taken from it and gently pressed upon the patient's wound by a nurse. The whole operation required several days, but the result was perfect. Within a few months the young man had a whole skin, had passed a rigid examination for life insurance, and had resumed his work.

MONKEY SCRUB LADY.

Animal in Philadelphia Park Becomes Proficient in Handling Soap and Brush.

"Monkeys, like men, should learn to work," says Keeper McCrossin, of the Philadelphia zoological gardens. He has taught one of his charges to overcome her distaste for soap and water and to wield a scrub brush with skill. Every day the monkey goes carefully over the inside of its cage, scrubbing floor and ceiling, back wall and iron bars, as carefully as it could be done with human hands.

McCrossin saw the monkey imitating him in his scrubbing operations. Tightly clutching a paper bag, she rubbed it over one railing after another, evincing great enjoyment. Then McCrossin gave

ALL READY FOR WORK.

her a big wash cloth and instructed her how to wet it in a pail of water.

It was long before she understood what soap was for, and even yet she occasionally takes a bite out of a cake, to make sure it is not something to eat.

"I intend to teach the other animals to scrub their cages, if possible," said McCrossin.

"All the monkeys in the cage take great interest in the scrubbing operations, but the trained animal will not allow them to touch the brush, soap or pail of water. At first she attempted to scrub one or two of her brothers, but it precipitated such a fight that she dared not repeat it."

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LOFTY TOSSED BULL.

Circus Giant Made Short Work of Infuriated Beast.

Threw Him Over a Fence Into a Pool of Water and Coolly Walked Home—An Old Story in Reversed Form.

"Every now and then, you know," said the old circus man to a New York Sun reporter, "you see in the papers a paragraph headed 'Chased by an Infuriated Bull.' It is a simple little story, and it always runs about the same:

"'As Farmer Jones, of West Cheshire, was crossing his pasture lot on Thursday last he was chased by an infuriated bull,' and it goes on to tell how Farmer Jones barely escaped, and all that, the bull hooking off the top rail of the fence just as Farmer Jones went over it, and so on.

"A simple little story, sure enough; and one that we've read a hundred times; but do you know if the newspapers should stop printing it, I should miss it greatly? For somehow that little story has always interested me very much, and ever since a little experience with an infuriated bull it has interested me more still.

"We had a pasture lot right next to the home lot at the show's winter quarters, and in that pasture lot we had at one time a bull. The home lot and the pasture lot stretched along from the house alongside a road.

"The giant stepped over the fence between the home lot and the pasture lot one day to make a short cut across the pasture to a point down the road, and just as he'd got pretty near across somebody back in the home lot hollers out to him:

"'Hey, Lofty! The bull!'

"The bull, down in one corner, had spied the giant making across the pasture, and it started for him at once. It didn't make any difference to the bull how big the giant was; you can't scare a mad bull.

"Did the giant start and run away from it? He could have done it easy; but he didn't stir a peg. He just stood still till the bull was about ten feet of him, and then he side-stepped just one step, which was equal to three steps of an ordinary man, and stood stock still again; and when the bull turned around to follow him, and just as he was ready to spring, the great giant took him by the horns.

"He gave the bull a swing and swung him clean off the ground and up and around his head, and swung him so

"IT'S A SIMPLE LITTLE STORY."

twice, like a hammer-thrower swinging a hammer before he throws it, and then he launched the bull into the air. And the bull went sailing over the pasture fence, and over the road, and over the fence beyond, and—disappeared!

"But it didn't take long to find him. On that property across the road there was an abandoned quarry, that had been quarried out to the depth of about 60 feet, and had about ten feet of water in the hole at the bottom, and the bull had dropped into that quarry; and here he was when we got over and looked down the sides, swimming around in the water down below.

"Well, we got out some of our tent tackle that had been stored for the winter and got the bull out and put him back in the pasture lot, where he frisked around as gayly as ever, what you call defeated, but not dismayed; and he'd have charged on the giant again in a minute if the giant had set out to cross the lot again."

"But that was something the giant never tried to do. He was a man of sense, the giant, and he knew that it was doubtful the next time he threw him, whether the bull would come down in as soft a spot as the pool of water, and he didn't want to hurt the bull, and so the giant and the bull never met again.

"But that one meeting between them, as you can easily imagine, gave me a new interest in the time-honored little story that we see in the papers every now and then under the heading of 'Chased by an Infuriated Bull,' and every time I read it I think of what happened when the bull chased not Farmer Jones, but the greatest of all giants."

Lightning Burned Big Hole.

Lightning burned a chimney hole in a hayrick on Mrs. Allison's farm, on West Grand river, near Grant City, Mo. The rick was not far from the house, and a couple of boys, seeing it smoking, went to it at once. They found in the top of the rick a small hole, from which the smoke was issuing, and, throwing a wisp of hay into the hole, smothered the fire. When the end of the rick was cut off it was found that the lightning had burned a hole from the top to the bottom of the stack about two inches in diameter.

HE GAINED CONSENT.

Impulsive Suitor Forces Girl's Father to Capitulate.

Talked, and Talked, and Talked, Until Pater Familias Would Have Been Ready to Agree to Any Old Proposition.

"Sir!" declaimed young Brash, the bookkeeper, "I desire to gain your consent to my marriage with your daughter."

And the intrepid young man proudly threw back his head, awaiting the answer that would be made by his employer.

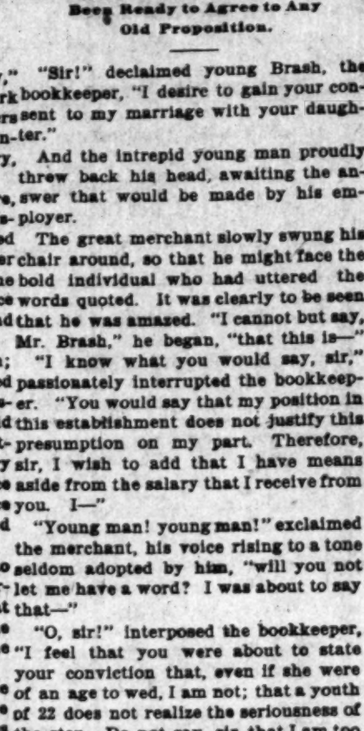
The great merchant slowly swung his chair around, so that he might face the bold individual who had uttered the words quoted. It was clearly to be seen that he was amazed. "I cannot but say, Mr. Brash," he began, "that this is—"

"I know what you would say, sir," passionately interrupted the bookkeeper. "You would say that my position in this establishment does not justify this presumption on my part. Therefore, sir, I wish to add that I have means aside from the salary that I receive from you. I—"

"Young man! young man!" exclaimed the merchant, his voice rising to a tone seldom adopted by him, "will you not let me have a word? I was about to say that—"

"O, sir!" interposed the bookkeeper, "I feel that you were about to state your conviction that, even if she were of an age to wed, I am not; that a youth of 22 does not realize the seriousness of the step. Do not say, sir, that I am too young! Reflect, sir, upon the fact that I love her dearly; that she is devoted to me, and that if you withhold your consent you may blight two lives! Two lives, sir! Think of that! And if you—"

Then, says the New York Times, the merchant gave a spasmodic clutch at his throat, as if he were going into apoplexy. Then he beat frantically upon his desk. "Will you, will you," he shouted, when he had in a measure



"YOU MAY BLIGHT TWO LIVES!"

recovered the use of his voice, "will you let me get a word in edgewise?"

The young man bowed his head in assent. "Pray go on, sir," he said.

"I desire to say," gasped the merchant, in a broken voice, "that I do not—"

"O, sir, you do not—"

"I do not—"

But the employer's words failed him, and his head sank upon the desk before him. Hastily ringing the bell for assistance, the bookkeeper afforded what relief he could to the exhausted man, until other and more efficacious aid arrived.

When the old man had recovered the use of his faculties, he said to the employes who had hastened into his office: "Thank you, gentlemen, and now you may leave me with Mr. Brash. I may say, however, that I would esteem it a favor if some one of you would gag the young man, as I much desire to have a word with him, a thing that seems impossible under any other condition than that of enforced silence."

"And now, sir!" he said sternly to young Brash, when once more they were alone, "if you utter another word before I shall have completed the observations which I now purpose to make, depend upon it I shall certainly offer you grievous bodily harm! Listen!

"You wish to marry a daughter of mine. Well, sir, you may! This is not an entire surprise to me. I made so bold some time since as to institute an investigation with regard to this attachment on your part; and the result of that investigation showed me no reasons why you two should not marry. But I submit that I was entitled, in all propriety, in my role of father to four marriageable girls, to ask the usual, formal and conventional query:

"Which one is it?"

Baldness Among Bachelors.

It has been found on study of 300 cases of loss of hair that baldness prevails most with unmarried men, which is contrary to the general belief. The worries of the bachelor may be fewer, but they are more trying to the scalp than are the multitudinous cares of the man of family. Most bald people are found to live indoor lives, and almost all of them belong to the intellectual class. Usually the loss of hair begins before the thirtieth year. In women it usually constitutes a general thinning; in men it affects the top of the head. Diseases that affect the general nutrition of the body are likely to thin the hair.

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COX WAS RESOURCEFUL.

A Thrilling Hunting Story in Which a Man, a Moose and a Haystack Are Concerned.

Fred Cox, of Lowell, Mass., who has been hunting in the woods near Mud Pond, Me., for a few days, left his guide in camp on Monday afternoon and went out on the pond in a canoe to call moose, taking his firearm along in a canvas case. On the further side of the pond he received an answer and continued to call so seductively that a large bull broke cover and began to swim out to meet him.

When the moose was 100 yards away Cox removed the case from his weapon

DISCHARGED BOTH BARRELS.

and found he had taken a shotgun loaded with birdshot, instead of a rifle. He paddled within a few yards of the moose and discharged both barrels into the animals side.

Instead of turning to swim ashore, the moose charged the canoe, and Cox had to do some hard paddling to escape being drowned. Finding the moose still vigorous and very angry, Cox led his game toward the middle of the pond, and then turned and paddled to the shore as fast as he could. He succeeded in climbing a haystack before his pursuer could overtake him.

The moose charged the stack and made the hay fly. But the stack was large and high, and Cox, feeling sure that help would arrive in a short time, lighted his pipe and began to smoke. Before the tobacco had burned down he saw that the stack was on fire. Cox was scared then. But he threw burning wads of hay upon the moose until the animal was frantic with anger. Then he slipped down the further side of the stack through the flames, and escaping to his canoe crossed the pond for help. On returning half an hour later with his guide, Cox found the haystack still smoking. Lying nearby with his hair burned away was the dead moose. On cutting the animal open it was found that the moose had bled to death internally from a wound inflicted by the birdshot.

He thought the marriage vow had made him his wife's master, instead of her partner.

He took all the little attentions lavished on him by his wife as his by "divine right," and not as favors.

He always carried his business troubles home with him, instead of locking them in his store or office when he closed.
—Orison Sweet Marden, in Success.

BUSINESS TOPICS.

National bank notes are one-sixth of the money in circulation.

The banking capital of New York city has been doubled within five years.

The United States treasury holds three and nine-tenths times as much gold as the Bank of England.

During the first six months of 1903 the imports of Egypt amounted to $37,344,045 and the exports to $43,986,685.

According to the Russian customs returns, Germany exports into Russia a quantity of articles immeasurably greater than we do, and of a class in which we could to a great extent compete in that country were greater attention shown to the requirements of the Russian market by our manufacturers.

FROM AN AUTHOR'S JOURNAL.

I am to have a genuine Literary Breakfast this morning:—The cook made the fire with 16 declined manuscripts.

Great event in my life:—my publisher has invited me to dine with him! I do hope my shirt will come from the wash in time.

I noticed my publisher riding by in an automobile yesterday. It's so kind and thoughtful of him to let me see him enjoying life!

I was absent-minded enough recently to kill my hero in the middle of my new novel! Competent critics, however, inform me that my readers will thank me for having done so.—Frank L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

In the Human Race.

A student of ethnology was telling his friend that the Laplanders are of very short stature.

"Can't you be definite?" replies the other. "How many Laps to the mile?"—Boston Transcript.

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NEW IDEAS ON SUNSTROKE.

After-Dinner Work in Stagnant Heat Produces Exhaustion—Women Are the Worst Sufferers.

"Stagnant indoor heat is more oppressive than outdoor heat," writes Dr. F. L. Oswald, in the Home Science Magazine. "Indoor warmth, intensified by stove fires, often approaches the horrors of the Calcutta black hole, or the swelter den of Dante's 'Inferno;' and to that combination of discomforts civilized men doom their sisters and mothers. In midsummer the sunstroke wards of New England hospitals are crowded with male patients, who often have worked only on the shady side of the streets, and with a still larger number of women, who cannot plead guilty to outdoor imprudence of any kind. They have been overcome by the heat, and in nine out of ten cases by the afternoon heat of ill ventilated kitchens and washrooms, dining-rooms and nurseries, by vitiated air cooperating with the exhausting effects of a high temperature, at a time when the resisting ability of the system was impaired by the exigencies of digestion. In other words, sunstrokes and all their premonitory symptoms are the effects of hard after-dinner work in warm weather."

NO MORE BLACK DIAMONDS.

Supply Still Exists, But Electrically Manufactured Article Has Entirely Replaced Them.

The trade in carbonado, or Brazilian black diamonds, which, so late as five years ago, was worth nearly $4,000,000 a year, is at present practically dead.

These stones, first discovered in 1843, are a kind of black, opaque and imperfectly crystallized diamond, found only in Brazil. They are less dense than the white diamond, but actually harder, and were found of immense value for mounting in the steel crowns of rock-boring drills.

It was the electric furnace, worked by the tremendous water power of Niagara, which put an end to the carbonado trade, says Stray Stories. A mixture of sand, coke, sawdust and salt melted together in this amazing heat resulted in the formation of masses of beautiful crystals, ranging from blood-red to pale-blue.

These have been named carborundum. They are almost as hard as the diamond, and indestructible in acids to which the diamond yields. They cost less than a quarter of carbonado, and so have displaced it.

Little Platinum Left.

The $2,142,207 worth of platinum extracted in the Gorotiagodatski district of Russia last year is practically the world's supply of that metal.

one gal in particular what Jean was settin' to, an' how there was to be a gran' weddin' at the New York house, an' a bigger party afterward in this here house down here, an' the weddin'-tower after that, a-sailin' to foreign parts in that yacht you see them Scandinavian sailors a-climbin' all over, an' back ag'in. The talk ran high, an' it seemed for all the world as if things was to come out as they said they would. But you never kin tell; no, you never kin tell. Man proposes, as the sayin' is, an' the good Lord disposes; an' the good Lord had made up his mind, it seemed, that this was to be sort o' diff'rent-like from what they supposed it would be.

"Leastways, along about the last o' May there come a spell o' weather—terrible foggy weather. There wa'n't a night o' that month that the foghorns didn't blow themselves hoarse—blow an' blow an' blow till we was most deaf with the sound o' them.

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How a Statue Started.

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The Last Word.

"She always has the last word."

"Yes; even in church; she always comes in on the 'Amen.'"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

By Miss May Clematis.

Some girls are too fresh.

Do not go alone on exeursions.

Every girl should protect herself.

Do not express too much anxiety.

Do not expect to please everybody.

Courtship is of short duration now.

Never introduce yourself to a male.

Do not imagine that you are pretty.

It is in bad taste to admire yourself.

Artifice is like fresh cake it will get stale.

Independence in a girl wi' emand respect.

S. T. You must be able to protect yourself.

Be slow to speak but quick to comprehend.

Self pride will after lead to ridicule and disgust.

When your conscience is right, you need not fear.

Always be on time when you intend to attend church.

What will please some people will not satisfy others.

The honeymoon lasts three days only and hardly that.

O. T. Dresses have been quite pretty this summer.

Do your duty and nothing more can be expected of you,

Everything that becomes other people may not become you.

He will not respect you, neither should you ask to be introduced.

Familiarity should not be tolerated, it will cause you to be disrespected.

Nellie. Deception is very often prevalent in a fickled minded girl,

Norah. Do not be selfish. It is in bad taste to impose upon a true friend.

Paint on the face is vulgar. It readily demonstrates the character of the woman.

No lady will allow a man to walk with her with a cigar or cigarette in his mouth.

Miss E, You should not doubt when you see evidences of affections and of fidelity.

Be what you are and do not ever attempt to make of yourself something else.

Your good senses will teach you whether you are respected by your male escort.

Always keep one thing in view and that is always keep the gossipers tongue quiet.

A good house wife knows how to manage a house and what will please her husband.

Miss O. Do not believe everything that is said to you. It is well to weigh well, everything.

Sadie. Do not imagine that your place cannot be filled by another. Girls are often of this opiuion.

Bessie. Be contented and you will succeed. There are times in ones life that acts become bunglesome.

Miss R. M. Flashy dressing will become some people but what ones thouhgts are is another question.

Etta. Friendship can be alianated by coolness and indifference. Some people cannot appreciate true friendship.

Miss T. M. You cannot expect to hold your friends by deception. This suggestion was given to you some time ago.

Ida. How can you expect to demand respect if you do not conduct yourself properly. You ask for advice. Be wise and let your actions and conduct show what you are.

J. M. All work is honorable, and you should never be to proud to do honorable work. Protect your honor no matter where you may be or what you may be doing.

Miss M. You doubt yourself, hence you cannot trust others. You must have confidence in some body. Never come to a conclusion until you are thoroughly convinced, Do not suspicion a friend without cause.

J. A. Take life as you find it. It is what you make it any way. There are people who believe that goodness is in excessive praying. Many hypocrites pray with no meaning or sincerity.

Izzie. Be thoroughly convinced that you have selected the proper person before you give the final yes. It is a life time companionship. Divorces are numerous. Do not marry for the name. If your condition is to be improved and your companion the proper person, marry.

The She Bear and Her Young

A Guide's Story of a Hunt in Which His Heart Failed Him at the Finish.

"THE toughest thing I ever tried to kill and didn't," said Ben York, the veteran guide of the West Branch region, in Maine, to a New York Sun man, "was a bear, a measly, lean bear, with the hair all gone on her fore shoulders and her bones sticking through her skin in places, like a lot of ax handles in a meal bag.

"More than half a day I followed her around Jo Mary mountain, seeing where she had dug open the ants' nests for a lunch as she went by and where she had stretched herself up against a sapling fir and left her claw marks on the bark to frighten me with her size and the length of her reach.

"That's the way a bear always does when he's hard pressed. Instead of

SHE GAVE A LOUD GRUNT.

putting all of his cunning into trying to get away, he will spend time, which means life to him, in fool tricks to show off how powerful he is and how hard he will be to lick when he comes to close quarters.

"I drove that bear so hard that she took to a tree along in the afternoon. As near as I could make out she was just about discouraged in trying to live before I took up her trail, and by the time I had chased her 20 miles she was so hungry and weary with it all that she went up the tree expecting to die, but hoping to make the killing as difficult as possible for me.

"She was sitting on one limb, with her front paws hooked to another higher up, when I fired the first shot, and when the bullet went in behind her foreshoulder and came out from her neck on the opposite side, she gave a loud groaning grunt, which was partly from pain and partly from the satisfaction she felt in dying.

"I stood from under, expecting to see her drop. Instead of falling she moved about to the further side of the tree and began to gnaw off some lumps of spruce gum, which hung out from a broken bough.

"When she had made the gum all soft and plastic she pulled half of it from her mouth with her paw and slapped it against the wound in her side where the bullet had gone in. Then she treated the wound in her neck in the same way.

"If you had seen the look she gave me after she had performed this operation you never would try to shoot a bear in your life. You couldn't do it.

"Her eyes as much as told me she didn't give a rap for her life. She was thinking of two hungry cubs which she had hidden away in a ledge near Ripogenus lake, and she was trying to stop the blood long enough to get home and inform the youngsters that she had striven to do her duty by them, though luck had been running against her ever since I dropped onto her trail.

"As it was, I sent another shot through her body in front of her hips, and saw her reaching for more gum. Then the sinfulness and folly of what I was trying to do came to me so strong that you could not have hired me to shoot again—no, sir, not for a thousand dollars.

"A week later when I landed on the shore of Ripogenus lake to build a fire for dinner I saw a lean bear lying dead close under the rocky bluff. Though she had been cold and stiff for days, her cubs were still nosing her over in the hope of finding nourishment, and crying so loud that I took pity on them and shot one for dinner.

"When I went to pick him up and skin him, I looked at the dead mother and saw the lumps of spruce gum sticking to her sides. I then knew that she had gone home to die with her children.

"On the whole, I think she was the toughest and most resolute animal I ever had anything to do with."

EX-EMPRESS CARLOTTA OF MEXICO, MAD FOR MANY YEARS, IS NOW DYING

Ever Since 1867 She Has Kept Mock Court in a Chateau Near Brussels, Belgium, Believing That the Murdered Maximilian, Her Lover-Husband, Still Lives.

AGAIN comes word that Carlotta, ex-empress, but to-day little more than a crased and pitiful reminder of an almost forgotten international tragedy, is dying at her chateau in the environs of Brussels, Belgium. Death to her would be a mercy.

A bride at 17, an empress at 24, a madwoman at 26, Carlotta represents in her own person not only the tragedy of a chimerical empire, but the traditional misfortunes of the luckless house of the Hapsburgs, and the vanity of earthly ambitions.

Thirty-seven years ago the beautiful young empress of Mexico parted with the lover-husband, to whom she had been married only ten years, to sail across seas and invoke for him the aid of princes, temporal and spiritual. They never met again, and neither ever knew why. Maximilian, led out with bandaged eyes to

EX-EMPRESS CARLOTTA.
(Widow of the Unfortunate Emperor Maximilian of Mexico.)

the "Hill of the Bells" on June 19, 1867, to die by the pistol shots of revolutionists, never knew that the splendid mental powers of his devoted wife had given way under their strain, and that she was by that time a babbling maniac holding mock court behind barred doors and asking: "Why does not the emperor come?"

Carlotta had for 37 years continued to ask: "Why does he not come?" never having been told what happened to Maxico's first emperor.

Shakespeare would have done justice to a story like Maximilian and Carlotta's. His pen could have drawn their happiness in paradise, of their early married life, and then the insidious entrance of the serpent of ambition, introduced by scheming statesmen with the cold-hearted Third Napoleon at their head. It pleased the powers that Mexico should be an empire. So, like the tempter of old, they took Maximilian up on an exceedingly high mountain, showed him that kingdom and all the glories thereof, and promised "all these will I give unto thee."

Fate's last most exquisite touch of irony in the situation was, that had they continued the idyllic, unpretentious life at Miramar, the crown of all the Austrians would have come to them through the suicide in 1889 of Maximilian's nephew, Crown Prince Rudolph, which would have made Ferdinand the next heir had he then been living.

Carlotta, as empress of a country which wished to be a republic, played her losing game bravely, and even brilliantly. In magnificence of her court, in personal extravagance, she was almost a second Eugenie. She was sincerely interested in her people, gave Maximilian sage counsel in state matters, restored the semi-ruined Chapultepec, palace of the Aztec kings, and rebuilt the celebrated "Montezuma bath."

When the climax of the ill-fated Mexican empire came, Maximilian was ill with fever, and his presence at the seat of trouble was imperative. The empress undertook to return to Europe to invoke aid of Napoleon III., and of the pope. But Napoleon, who had gotten them into this predicament, was not going to help them out. Then it was that the first mad symptoms manifested themselves. She left Napoleon in despair, and arriving at the Grand hotel in Paris, she had an attack of insanity.

In many quarters in Mexico to-day a more sinister cause for her mental breakdown is implicitly believed in. It is asserted that a decoction of the "loco root," which produces insanity, was secretly introduced into her food by some disaffected subject. But whatever the cause of her madness, it has never left her. Reports of her death were sent to her husband shortly before his own execution, thus sparing him one torment.

The ex-empress has been confined for many years in the Chateau de Bonchat, near Brussels. For years she has made pathetic pretense of holding court, ordering the pictures taken down from the walls, that she might give them to her attendants—who would quietly replace them—and excited by all visitors save her sister-in-law, the late Queen Henrietta of Belgium. Between her brother, King Leopold, and herself, a coldness existed, as even her disordered brain had received the impressions, current in Belgium, that he had gambled away a large portion of her once splendid fortune, which he held for her in trust.

In 37 years she had just one moment of happiness. That was when she was told of the death of Napoleon III.

DIME NOVEL YOUTH.

When Arrested in Buffalo, N. Y., Willie's Pockets Were Found to Be Full of Weapons.

With a collection of weapons, disguises, dime novels and other paraphernalia that would have done credit to the most blood-thirsty hero of yellow covered fiction, Willie Miles, of Buffalo, N. Y., started for Toronto to imitate the heroes of his favorite literature. The butt of his big revolver was protruding from his hip pocket, and the next thing that Willie knew he was locked up in a cell at the Third precinct station on the charge of carrying concealed weapons.

When Desk Sergeant Potter started to go through the boy's pockets, the patrolmen and specials around the desk came to the conclusion that they must have made an important capture. First, the big .38 caliber revolver made

MILES' START FOR TORONTO.

its appearance. Next came a villainous looking slung shot, and then a wig. The policemen formed a close circle around their prisoner, and then a few more pockets were emptied. A glass cutter was discovered. A mustache several shades darker in color than the wig was found in one corner of one of the boy's pockets. The cause of all the blood-thirsty array was next unearthed. In an inside coat pocket was found a collection of nickel and dime novels from which the would-be desperado planned his campaign. The book which was apparently the best read bore the title "Hold-Up Dan's Best Haul, or Old Cap. Collier's Big Mistake." This was apparently the guide book to the young man's intended career.

Miles sat in the cell waiting to be taken to police court, and every time an officer passed he would ask that he might be allowed to have just one of his favorite books. This favor was refused, and the boy had to content himself with a morning paper.

Willie said that he thought he would give up his idea of going to Toronto, and see if he could not secure a place on the local detective force. He felt that his natural talents ran in that direction.

ADMIRED WIFE'S GIFT.

How an Absent-Minded Man Gave Himself Away at an Inopportune Moment.

The St. Louis Republic tells this delicious story of a prosperous business man who had no time to pick out a wedding gift for his dearest friend. So his wife went shopping and purchased a very handsome picture.

"I bought a picture, Jim," she said that evening at dinner, "and sent it up to George Stone's house with our cards. I wish you could have seen it, for I know it would just suit you. In fact, when I picked it out I tried to look at things through your eyes and choose such a picture as you would have selected."

The business man had carried the worries of the day home with him, so he merely remarked: "That's very nice," in an absent-minded sort of way, and let his mind go back to his office again.

A week later he and his wife attended George Stone's wedding. It was a small affair, and rather informal. The business man was wandering around in the room where the gifts were displayed, looking aimlessly at the cut glass and silver, when he suddenly stopped before a picture.

"I say, Carrie," he called to his wife, so that every one near him could hear, "Carrie, this is a beautiful picture. I wish we had it in our house. It's a fine bit of work."

Wells Near Cemeteries.

It is against Italian law to sink a well within 300 feet of a cemetery. In Australia and France a well is not permitted within 600 feet of a graveyard.

Baby Exchange Agencies.

The practice of exchanging children by parents living in French and German Switzerland, in order to enable their boys and girls to learn another language, is spreading greatly in that country. An exchange agency to further this object has been founded at Zurich. A Swiss child has the opportunity to pick up three languages—French, German and Italian—at practically no cost to the parents. In six months a child is able to converse freely, and is then sent to school to learn the grammar and literature of the newly acquired language.

Some New Uses for Paper.

Several new uses for paper have been discovered. Artificial teeth are made from it; a Lynn shoemaker employes it to make uppers for boots; a Boston manufacturer is perfecting a system of converting it into tall hats, and for years it has been worn as clothing by the Japanese, the seams being pasted together.

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This Girl Did It by Accepting His Escort and Guiding Him to a Police Station.

When a "masher" wants to see you home you should, not treating him with dignity and disdain, accept his attentions. Then, instead of guiding him to your abode, steer him to the nearest police station. This is the theory and practice of Miss Lizzie Burgess, of 624 Foster street, Evanston, Ill.

"Even flirt with him," she says.

Miss Burgess had a chance to put her theory into practice the other evening, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, with the result that Charles Scott, who is said to have attempted to flirt with her, occupies a cell in the Evanston police station.

Miss Burgess had been visiting friends last evening, and was walking

"MAY I SEE YOU HOME?"

in Emerson street on her way home. As she reached Maple avenue a man turned the corner and followed her. She gave no heed to the man's remarks until she reached Sherman avenue and Emerson street, about two blocks from her home.

She waited until the "masher" reached her.

"May I see you home?" asked the "masher."

"Certainly," said Miss Burgess, sweetly, but instead of going north on Sherman avenue toward her home, she started south, with the Evanston police station as her destination.

The man waited outside while Miss Burgess entered the police station to "see a friend."

"There is a 'masher' outside whom I wish you would take care of," she told Sergt. Waldron.

The policeman accompanied the young woman outside and she introduced him to her escort. He took the "masher" inside and placed him in a cell.

Hope for the Grayheads.

Exposure to the X-rays has restored to its natural color the gray hair of Dr. K. D. Hawley, of Columbus, Ind. The same treatment had the same effect on one of Dr. Hawley's patients.

Don Raimundo Villaverde, Spain's new premier, is one of the luckiest of middle-class mortals. His parents were modest, well-to-do country folk, but there was no reason to suppose that their boy was going to climb up to the highest post within the gift of the Spanish people. He started out as a lawyer, endowed with brains and an eloquent tongue, perseverance and lots of ambition. Thereafter the steps of fame were interestingly marked. He had crowds of clients and was elected to parliament. Afterward

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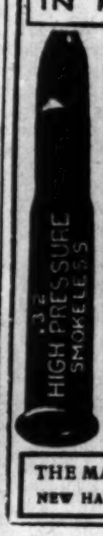

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